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CONFUSING REPORTS ON HSUCHOW BATTLE

Japanese Displaying Considerable Optimism

MISSION PROPERTY BADLY BOMBED

Hankow, To-day.

The American Baptist Mission, and a Catholic Mission, believed to be Italian, were hit when fourteen Japanese bombers raided Chengchow yesterday morning, according to Chinese reports.

Eight bombs are stated to have hit the American Mission, killing and wounding eight, while twelve bombs struck the Catholic Church, killing and wounding several.

All foreigners are reported to be safe.

The reports also declared that Japanese bombers heavily attacked the junction of the Peiping-Hankow and Lunghai Railways, demolishing more than a hundred houses at Chengchow, while the telegraph office and rotary school are stated to have been hit.—Reuter.

BOMBING RAID ON MEIHSIEN

Canton, To-day.

According to a telephone message from Meihsien (Moi Yuen), thirteen Japanese planes raided the town yesterday.

Many bombs were dropped near the airfield but failed to cause any material damage. Several village structures were demolished and civilians killed.—Our Own Correspondent.

VISITORS TO NO. TEN

London, To-day.

Lord Baldwin lunched with the Prime Minister at No. 10, Downing Street yesterday.

Mr. Chamberlain's other callers included Lord Swinton, the Air Minister, Sir Samuel Hoare, Home Secretary, and Sir Eric Phipps, British Ambassador in Paris.—British Wireless.

Chinese Report Vigorous Counter-Attacks

Tokyo, To-day.

Great optimism about the military operations in the province of Shantung is entertained by the Japanese press.

All papers report that the decision in the battle of Hsuehchow is imminent.

The left wing of the Japanese army advancing from the south claims to be within 20 miles of the Lunghai Railway.

The eastern part of the Lunghai Railway, that is the sector from Haichow to Hsuehchow, has, according to these Japanese press reports, been almost reached. Taierchwang, which a few weeks ago was the scene of violent fighting, has now been passed by the Japanese on the west.

A Japanese army detachment, marching from south to north is already pressing on Sushien, 80 kilometres east of Hsuehchow. The general attack now in progress, Japanese assert, aims at the complete encirclement of Hsuehchow.—Trans Ocean.

VIOLENT COUNTER-ATTACK

Shanghai, To-day.

The Chinese are counter-attacking violently and relentlessly at Yungcheng and Mencheng, to prevent the Japanese from closing in on Hsuehchowfu from the south-west.

Chinese re-inforcements have been despatched to the Yungcheng area.

The Japanese plan is to drive further towards Hsuehchowfu from Yungcheng and attack Siaohsien, a small town less than fifteen miles west of Hsuehchowfu, and from thence direct operations on Hsuehchowfu.

TSINING SETBACK

In south-western Shantung, the Japanese troops which struck out from Tsinning towards Kwelch, are suffering severe setbacks. Their communications are being consistently severed and this morn-

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LEAGUE TO PASS RESOLUTION ON CHINA

Geneva, To-day.

The text of the resolution on the Chinese appeal to the League of Nations was to be decided at the meeting last night of the Council's drafting committee, composed of the President of the Council, the British, French, Soviet, Chinese and Rumanian delegates.

It is understood the resolution will condemn the use of poison gas and will express sympathy with the Chinese people.

The Japanese delegation at Geneva has issued a categorical denial that the Japanese Government has ever used, or contemplated using, poison gas.

It adds that the Japanese army has never had recourse to chemical warfare and has not made any preparation for warfare of this kind.—Reuter.

CZECH TALKS IN LONDON

London, To-day.

The Czecho-Slovakian Minister in London, Mr. Jan Masaryk, called at the Foreign Office yesterday morning and remained for some time.—British Wireless.

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For the first week, all goes well. Up with the lark is our motto, and down with slothful ease. We are resolved. The voice of the temptress in guise of a hostess proffering succulent dishes, disturbs us not. A rusk is our portion, and we eat it, if not with relish, at least with an inward glow of martyrdom.

A pound or two fades away. We are elated. Then things start to grow up. The scales fail to drop as quickly as we hoped, and we get disheartened. Stout friends urge us to give in. "You're much nicer as you are, my dear. You will look years older if you get thin, and as for your nerves—much better to be plump and happy."

Come the downfall. The pounds we lost are upon us again. We thrive, we grow plump. But are we happy? No! It's a sorry business.

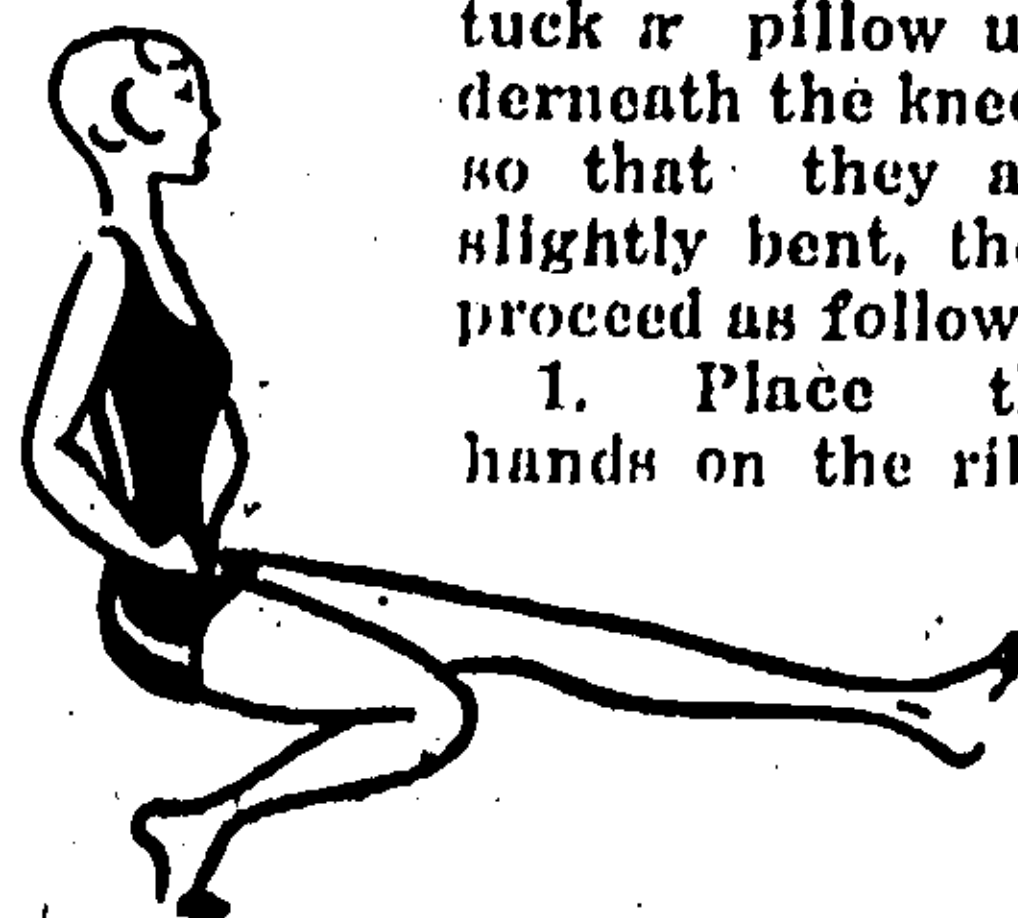
Fortunately, there is nothing to prevent us starting again, and this time we will really get down to it. The easiest way is to set a certain

period in which to slim, say two months, and determine that come what may, whatever the scales may do, nothing shall interfere with the set programme. If this programme is followed faithfully, with no slackening off or weakening anywhere, two months should see a drop of anything up to a stone, provided, of course, that the health is normal.

Exercises are a little grim for those whose natural inclination is to cling to bed until the last possible moment. That is why, being sympathetic, I have got together a list of excellent ones which can be done lying on the bed.

Instead of getting up to them, you get down to them. You must remove the bolster—if you use one—and pillows, so that you lie flat. For the first two, which really do marvels in flattening the tummy, tuck a pillow underneath the knees, so that they are slightly bent, then proceed as follows:

1. Place the hands on the ribs,



FOR the more vigorous, who prefer to stand up to this slimming, here are five excellent exercises:

1. Kneel on the ground, arms stretched out sideways, shoulder-level. Bend from the waist to the right and back, and try to touch the feet behind. Resume original position, then bend to the left and back in the same way.

2. Stand with the feet apart, hands on hips. Rotate the body from the waist, swaying over to the right, down, up, and back, describing as wide a circle as possible.

3. Stand erect, feet together, arms above the head. Bend down and try to touch the toes, keeping the knees stiff.

4. Take a squatting position with hands on hips. Shoot the right leg out in front, and then the left. Continue alternately, Russian dance fashion.

5. Lie on your back with legs raised and begin a cycling movement with the legs.

breathe in through the nose, expanding the ribs strongly. Then breathe out slowly through the open mouth. This should be done eighteen times, with a rest after each six movements.

2. Repeat the first exercise, but instead of taking one long breath, and expanding the ribs once, take three distinct breaths, expanding the ribs three times, and then breathe out through the open mouth.

3. Now for a brisk walk. Stay where you are and do it this way. Stretch out full length with feet together and hands at sides. Raise left leg as high as possible, keeping it quite stiff. Raise right arm at the same time. Lower both together, then raise right leg and left arm. Continue this, with alternate legs and arms, as quickly as possible.

4. And now. Oops-y-daisy! Place the hands underneath the back, and raise the lower part of the body as high off the bed as possible, so that most of the weight is resting on the shoulders. Keep the legs stiff, swing one over the head as far as possible, and one down towards the bed, then reverse and continue briskly, with a scissor-like movement.

5. Lie stretched at full length, hands on hips and heels together. Raise both legs together and swing round to the left, then up as high

as possible, round to the right and down. Do this six times clockwise and six times anti-clockwise.

And now for diet. The first thing is to abolish the early morning cup of tea and substitute hot water and lemon.

Breakfast.—Fresh fruit and a cereal, or fruit and a piece of melba toast—small pat of butter. A cup of weak tea or coffee, with very little milk and no sugar.

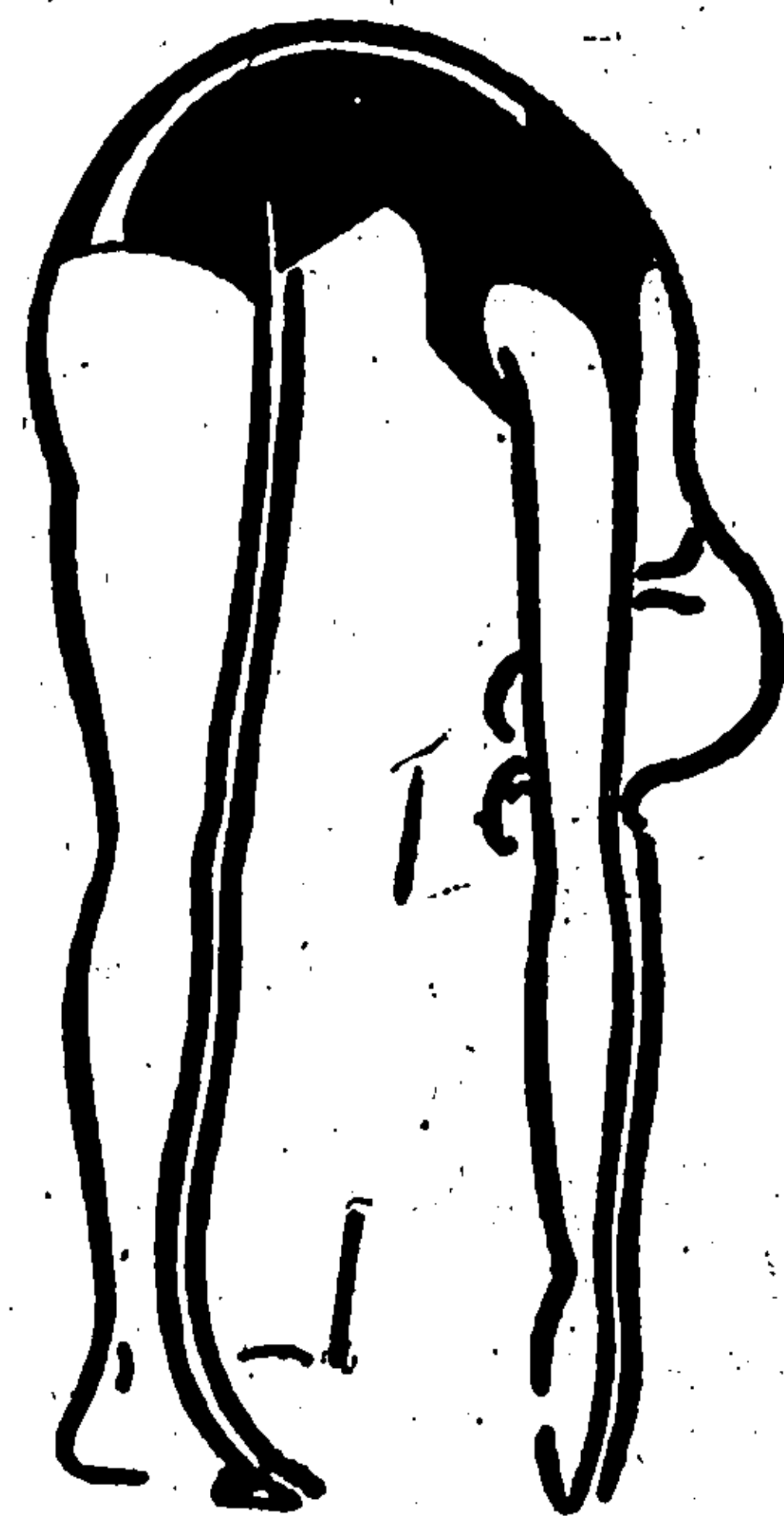
Lunch.—Egg salad or omelet, or lightly boiled fish.

Tea.—Cup of tea, without sugar. Nothing to eat.

Dinner.—Cutlets, or any kind of lean meat and vegetables. Fresh fruit.

This is only a specimen diet, from which others can be arranged on the same lines. The chief point is to cut out all fried foods, sweets, puddings and starchy things.

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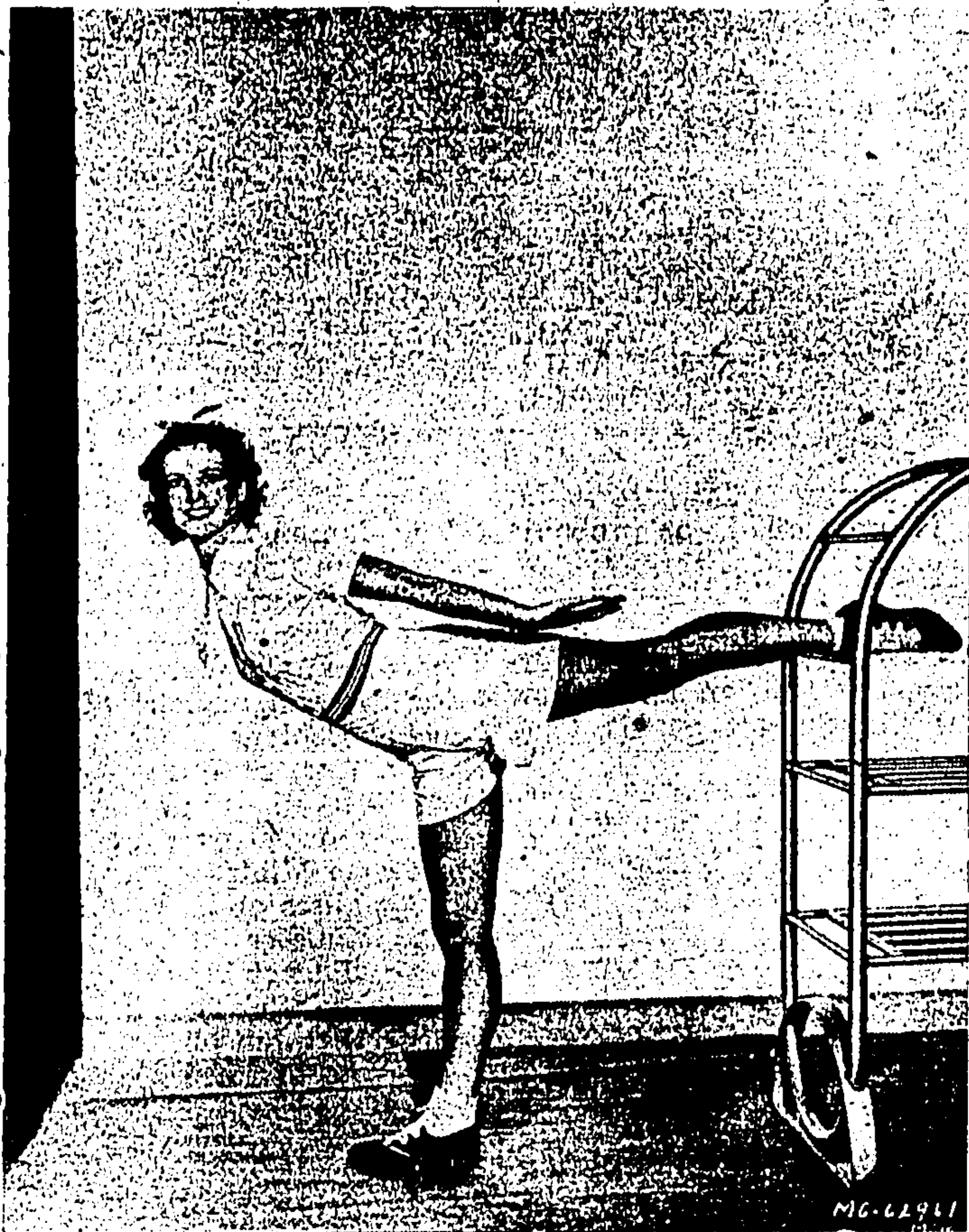
Tomato Toasts.—3 large tomatoes, 3 red chillies, 1 onion, ½ oz butter, 1 dessertspoonful milk, 1 tablespoonful bread-crumbs, 1 egg, salt and cayenne to taste.

Put tomatoes in boiling water for two minutes, then peel them and chop very fine with chillies, salt and a small onion. Put half an ounce of butter in a pan with a dessertspoonful of milk, add the tomatoes and chillies.

Cook for a few minutes and mix a well-beaten egg with it. Cook till the mixture is set lightly; serve on slices of buttered toast and sprinkle fried bread-crumbs and cayenne on top.

Gherkin Toast.—5 squares of bread, 2 oz English Cheddar cheese, 8 gherkins, 2 eggs, cayenne and salt to taste.

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MARY HOWARD, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer actress, follows a set routine of exercises every day. The exercise she is doing here is beneficial to the entire body—stretches the legs and back, stretches the shoulder muscles, and is good for the waistline.

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These Cocktail Snacks Will Go Down Well

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Fry bread and sprinkle cheddar eggs and cayenne. Stir till as cheese on each. Chop gherkins very thick as buttered eggs and serve on fine and cover half the toast with them and the other half with the yolk of hard-boiled egg passed through a sieve. Season with salt and cayenne.

Calcutta Toast.—Remove cooked sausage meat from the skin. To four tablespoonfuls add one of chopped mango chutney, pepper and salt. Make into a paste, and put in a ring on a fried croute. Serve very hot with stiffly whipped cream in the centre.

Bombay Toast.—1oz anchovies 1oz butter, two eggs, four squares of fried bread cayenne to taste. Take 1oz of anchovies and 1oz of butter and pass through a sieve. Melt it in a saucepan, and as it melts add the beaten yolks of two

Stir till as thick as buttered eggs and serve on fried bread.

Finnan Haddock Toast with mushroom or pickled walnut. Blend puree of finnan haddock with a little cream. Serve on toast with a grilled mushroom or pickled walnut on top.

The Colonel's Savoury.—Wash some sardines to remove the oil. Bone them, take off the tails and season with cayenne pepper. Roll each one in a thin rasher of bacon, devil and grill. Serve on buttered toast.

Ann's Savoury.—Pick some fine prawns or river crayfish from their shells. Wrap each in a slice of streaky bacon, grill and place on a piece of hot buttered toast. Serve on a

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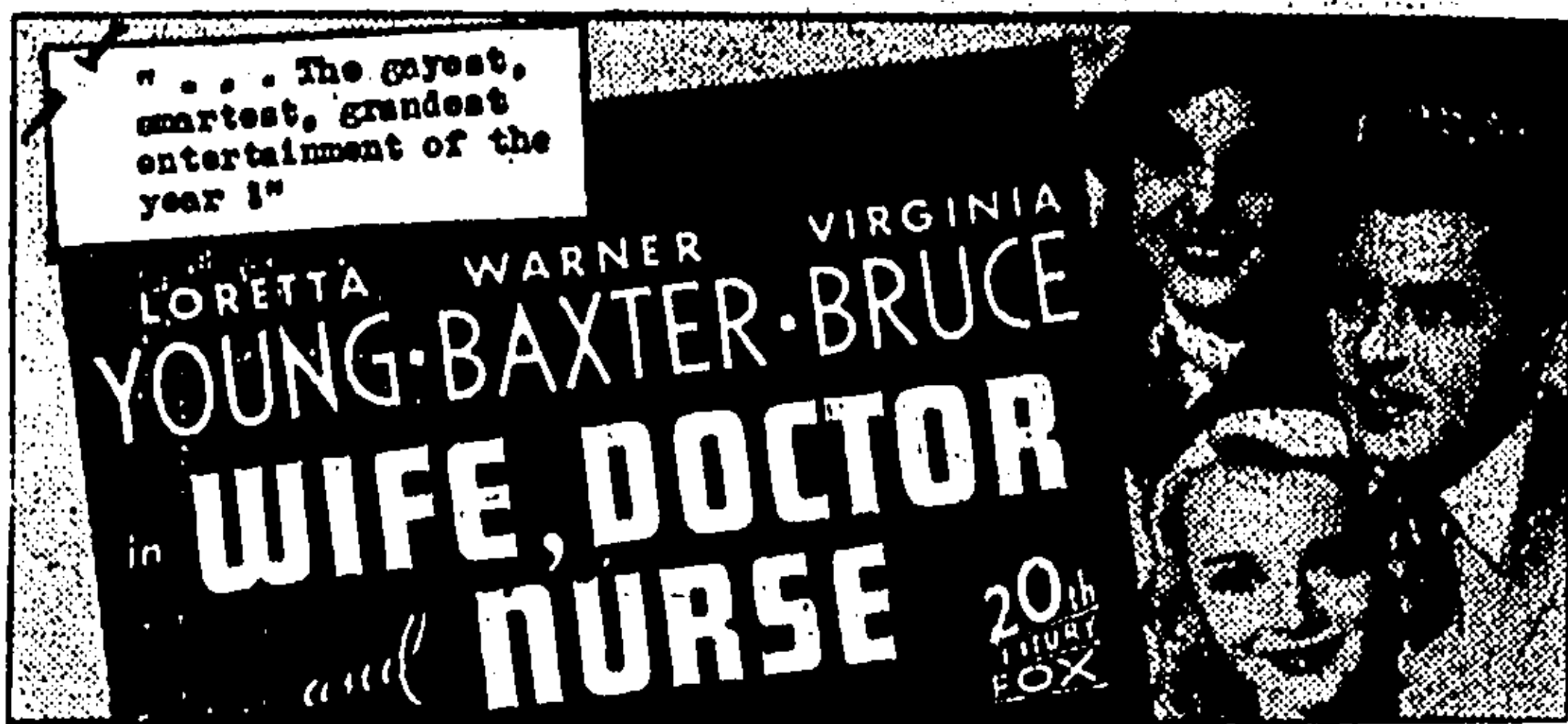
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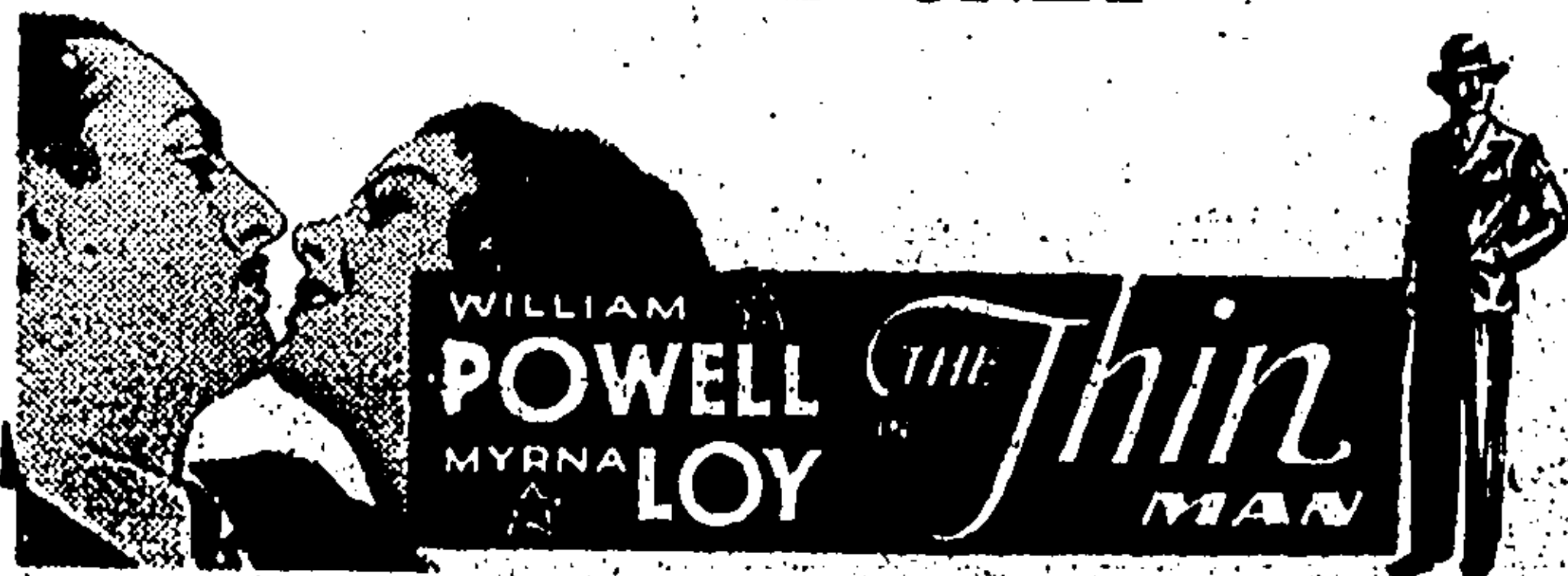
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BELGIAN CABINET'S RESIGNATION

BRUSSELS, TO-DAY.
 THE BELGIAN CABINET HAS RESIGNED, AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT FORMATION OF A NEW MINISTRY WILL PRESENT GREAT DIFFICULTY.

The Foreign Minister, M. Spaak, is mentioned as probable successor to the Premier, M. Janson.

The crisis was due to a difference in party opinion about how to meet the Budget deficit.

The Labour Party was in favour of new taxation, and the

Catholic Party, while agreeing to some of the new taxes which cover more than half the deficit, demanded large Government economies.—Reuter.

SEVEN-MONTHS LIFE

Brussels, To-day.
 The Janson Cabinet offered its resignation yesterday afternoon. The King accepted the resignation. The Janson Cabinet, which was formed on October 23, last year after the resignation of the Van Zeeland Cabinet, was a Coalition Government of Catholics, Socialists, Liberals.

Of its members four including the Prime Minister were Liberals, six Socialists and five Catholics.

The Minister of War, General Denize, did not belong to any political party. Political quarters here believe that Janson will not accept a mandate to form a new Government if he should be asked to do so by the King.

NEW PREMIER?

The Foreign Minister, M. Spaak and the former Minister for Colonies, M. Tschoffen, are regarded as the most likely candidates for the Premiership. The former Premier, M. Jaspard and the former Minister for National Defence, M. Devezé, are other possibilities.

Parliamentary quarters hope that the new Government will be formed before the week-end but it is realised that considerable difficulties will have to be overcome before the formation of the Government is accomplished.—Trans-Ocean.

SHANGHAI EQUALS HONG KONG RECORD

An event, unique it is believed, in foreign circles in Shanghai occurred in the Country Hospital this week, when Mrs. H. C. Timms gave birth to triplets, two boys and a girl. Dr. E. G. Gauntlett, who attended mother and children, is of the belief that this is the first instance in the annals of Shanghai, where triplets were born by a foreign mother. Mr. Timms is with the S.M.P., being attached to Gordon Road Police Station. Mrs. Timms, the former Majorie Fraser, came from Victoria, B.C., several years ago, while Mr. Timms comes from Nottinghamshire.

Had not the hostilities caused a hasty evacuation of women and children from Shanghai at the end of last August, the honour of being Shanghai's first triplets might have gone to the children of Mrs. W. Shinn, also English. Their births are now recorded in the annals of Hong Kong, not Shanghai.

DEAN TRIVETT OFFICIATES

Miss Thompson is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thompson, brothers, Charles and Geoffrey, sister, Beatty, and aunt, Mrs. E. Ling. It is believed that Mr. Hufner leaves his father, three brothers and three sisters in New York City.

The Reverend Dean A.C.S. Trivett of the Holy Trinity Cathedral conducted the services, assisted by Mr. P. H. Rumberg at the organ, who rendered a prelude and postlude. A beautiful cross of roses from "Violet's Mummie and Papa" was lowered on each casket, and a cushion of sweet peas from a close friend, "Helen," rested upon Miss Thompson's casket.

From the Chapel the late Miss Thompson's casket led the cortege to the grave, and was carried by Messrs. Archie Logan, Len Bright, Allan Kew, Johnny Leriou, Lionel Kew and Charlie Bower. The pallbearers for the late Mr. Hufner were Messrs. M. C. Ford, Joe Morang, G. A. Johansson, G. C. Bruce, L. Z. Yuan and Frank Burton, all associates of the deceased from the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury. Between the two caskets, as a mutual friend, walked Mr. La Salle Gilman, a close friend of Mr. Hufner and also a fellow worker at the Evening Post.

The caskets in the Chapel were surrounded by flowers from immediate relatives and close friends.

CHILDREN HAVE YOU ENTERED FOR THE SNOW WHITE CONTEST?

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"SHADOWING" CONVOYS IN THE AERO-NAVAL WAR

SOMEWHERE IN BLUELAND, I have just landed at this air base after a flight of nearly 1,000 miles, during the past 9½ hours, to the Bay of Biscay and back. I flew in one of the 'planes taking part in the combined air and naval manoeuvres, writes a correspondent.

For the purpose of the manoeuvres there is a conflict between Blueand and Redland. The Home Fleet, returning from Gibraltar, represents a convoy of merchantmen carrying food and raw materials.

The Blue forces comprise aircraft and submarines from home bases.

My 'plane was one of those which set out to locate the ships of the Red fleet in the Bay of Biscay. We found them and "shadowed" them for more than an hour, our radio sending back constant reports to the home base.

The reconnaissance work we have carried out will help our submarines when later they launch their attack on the Redland fleet.

The activities were marred by an accident to one of the other reconnaissance flying boats. It crashed in the sea off Ushant with the loss of six lives.

100 MILES AN HOUR

It was just three o'clock in the afternoon when the floats of the Singapore flying boat, in which I was a passenger, lifted from the sea on the start of the flight.

In the brilliant afternoon sunshine we droned over the Isle of Wight at 100 miles an hour. Far off to the right was Portland Bill, and presently, like a dark crocodile crouching in the water, the Channel island of Alderney appeared.

The personnel of nine—two pilots, a navigator, an air observer, a radio

operator, two riggers and two fitters—smoked cigarettes in the metal-walled fuselage and cockpit of the machine.

The navigator busied himself at his chart, taking bearings from a compass and marking our position.

Flying at 2,000ft we saw the French coast some miles to the east at 4.15. Although we were technically "at war," creature comforts were not neglected.

Hot tea was made in the little galley at the rear of the machine, and with it chocolate biscuits were handed round.

At 5.30 we were off Ushant. Schools of porpoises played in the sea below. Dusk began to fall. On we flew south-westwards into the Bay of Biscay. At 6.45, when the last of the daylight was fading, we caught our first glimpse of the enemy.

WAITING SUBMARINE

Through a gap in the cloud wrack appeared first one, then another, and another destroyer. They were strung out in a long line, several miles apart, as a screen for the main fleet behind.

We veered away to avoid them. At seven o'clock we sighted an aircraft carrier, the Courageous.

Night had now fallen. Half an hour later the glaring "eye" of a signal began to wink up at us from the blackness below. It was one of our Blueand submarines waiting to intercept the invader. We answered him with our signal lamp.

With the coast now invisible we threw flame flares on to the sea and from them took hasty bearings to determine our position. All our lights were switched off.

In the cockpit the instrument dials glowed ghostly in the darkness. A icy wind tore through the portholes. (Continued at Foot of Next Col.)

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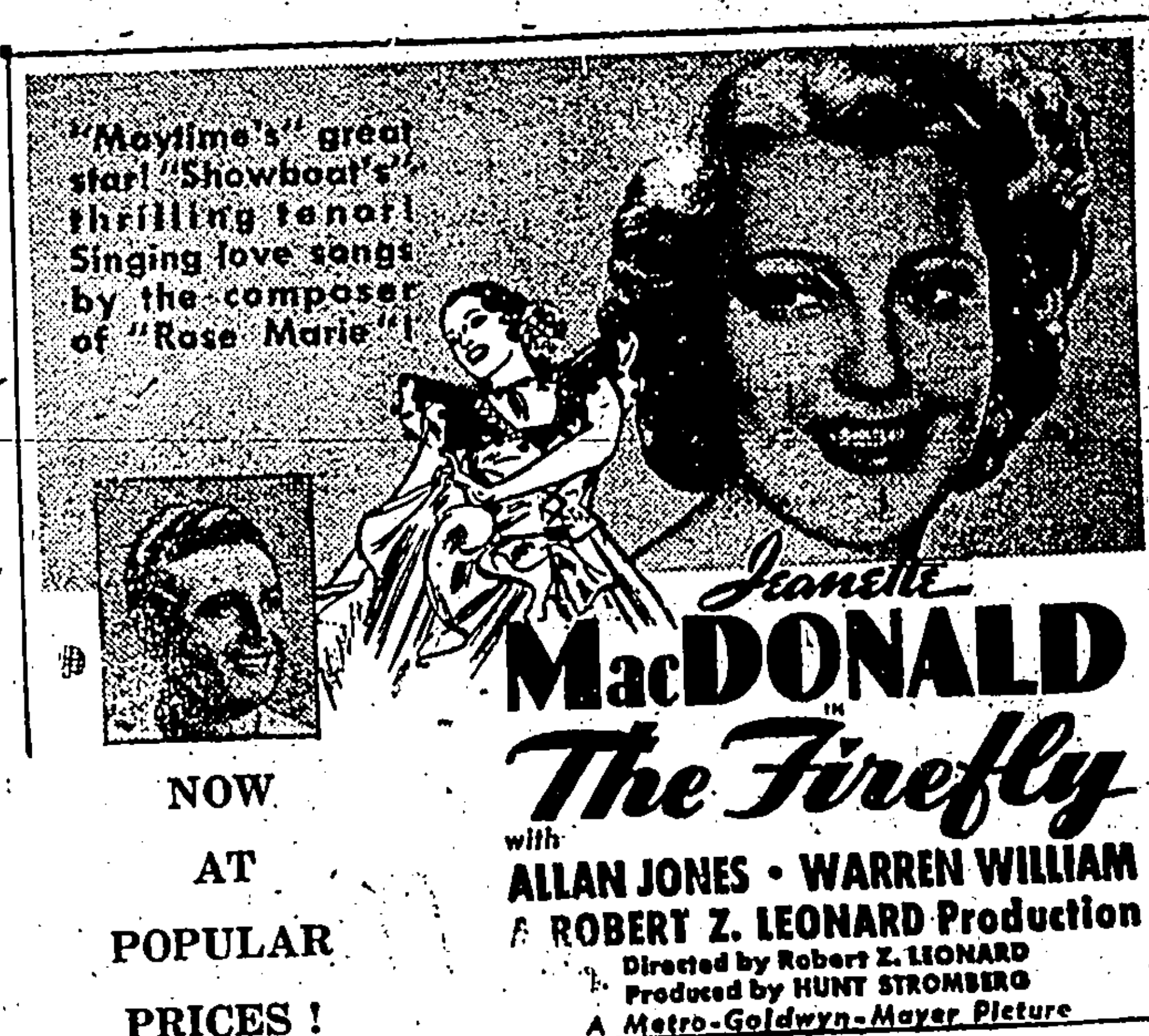
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MR. CORDELL HULL CAUTIOUS ON MOVE TO SUPPLY ARMS TO SPAIN

Washington, To-day.

A statement on the United States attitude towards arms exports to the warring parties in Spain, was made yesterday by the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull.

Mr. Hull referred to the resolution of Senator Nye, which he said would have permitted exports of arms to the Spanish Republicans while retaining the embargo against Gen. Franco.

Mr. Hull declared: "Even if legislation is applied to both parties in Spain, its enactment would still subject us to unnecessary risks, which we have hitherto avoided."

"The real test of the advisability of making any changes in the statutes now effective should be whether such changes would further tend to keep us from becoming involved directly or indirectly in the dangerous European situation."

Senator Pittman said it was a fair assumption from the language used by Mr. Hull that the State Department is contemplating the possibility of revision of the whole Neutrality Act at some later session of Congress.—Reuter.

REMARKABLE FEAT OF TWO YOUNGSTERS

Chinese is popularly supposed to be one of the most difficult languages to learn and many a student who has sat for the examinations held by the Shanghai British Chamber of Commerce will agree with this. Yet a six-year old British girl and her nine-year-old brother have been given first class certificates by the Chamber, having obtained first class passes of 80 and 81 per cent. respectively.

The two children are Pearl Diana Scott and Ralph Valentine Scott and are the children of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Scott, Mr. Scott, who is with the Chinese Maritime Customs, taught the two children and it should be noted that the examination they took was the usual one for adults and not a special one for children.

Save for the name and the pronouns, the examiner's report, which is dated April 21, 1938, reads the same for both children, namely:—

"I examined Master Ralph Valentine Scott (Miss Pearl Diana Scott) yesterday and beg to say he (she) passed a successful examination. He (she) was able to converse freely on almost any moderately simple subject and also he (she) was able to recognise over 200 characters when presented singly and isolated from any surrounding context. I suggest that he (she) be granted a first class pass."

Their marks were obtained as follows:—

Reading Chinese text and translating same into English: Miss Scott, 12; Master Scott, 17.

Translating English text into Chinese: Miss Scott, 14; Master Scott, 16.

Conversation: Miss Scott, 40; Master Scott, 41.

General knowledge (including knowledge of isolated characters): Miss Scott, 9; Master Scott, 8.

CORRESPONDENCE

RENTS LAW MUST BE CHANGED— MR. BRAGA

Sir, It is more in sorrow than in anger that the Court's decision in the eviction case to-day against Mr. S. W. Clark, the occupant of a flat in 134, Kennedy Road, will be received by the community. Considerable satisfaction must, however, be derived from the fact that the learned Judge delivered himself of the reported comment that "until you tenants can get the law altered, I can do nothing about it."

His Lordship's comment is extremely opposite. Judges are, after all, in the position of administrators of the law as they find it. It is for the unofficial legislators in the Council to act in accordance with the needs of changing times and changing conditions. The public whom they represent look to them for protection. A large number of the taxpayers feel that they should not be made to hope in vain.

It has at no time been represented to Government that a Rent Restriction Ordinance to meet the exceptional conditions created as a result of the Sino-Japanese hostilities should remain a permanent piece of legislative enactment. The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo urged at a Council meeting held in October last that, in his submission, the Bill he advocated should be regarded as an "emergency legislation."

Since those who can and should act will not, might not tenants as a class, who are so seriously affected by the attitude of those who "just can't be bothered" to move in the matter, unite in a concerted effort towards securing the end indicated by the Judge presiding in the case at the Supreme Court this morning — an end so desirable in the interests of tenants hard oppressed but with no hope of redress in the existing state of the law?

Yours faithfully,

J. P. BRAGA.

CHILDREN HAVE YOU ENTERED FOR THE SNOW WHITE CONTEST

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SPANISH RESOLUTION DEFEATED BY COUNCIL

Russia Supports Claims Of Senor Del Vayo

Government Alleged 100:6 Volunteer Ratio

Geneva, To-day.

The Spanish resolution was defeated in the League Council yesterday, Russia and Spain voting in favour and Britain, France, Poland and Rumania against. Nine other nations abstained. The decision is of considerable importance in that the French Government's adverse vote places it in conflict with its Left Wing supporters. Earlier, replying to Senor del Vayo (Spain), Lord Halifax (Britain) refuted the suggestion that intervention in Spain had taken place only on the anti-Government side.

FRENCH COMMENT ON GENEVA DEBATE

PARIS, TO-DAY.

GREAT PROMINENCE WAS GIVEN YESTERDAY IN PARIS NEWSPAPERS TO THE DIFFICULTIES THAT HAVE ARISEN IN GENEVA.

IN CYNICAL WORDS, SEVERAL NEWSPAPERS EXPRESS DISAPPOINTMENT THAT NOTHING HAS PASSED OFF AS LORD HALIFAX AND M. BONNET HAD EXPECTED.

The Radical Socialist "Oeuvre" speaks of a crisis in Geneva and the Socialist "Populaire" calls the League of Nations a corpse with a very tough life. The more one tries to kill him the more one is compelled to worry about him.

The Right Wing "Epoque" asks what Moscow is really aiming at. In the moment when the French-Italian Entente is about to be established, every effort is made in Geneva to protract the Abyssinian affair and similarly regarding the war in Spain, efforts are made to prolong hostilities.

LE MATIN'S ATTACK

While the "Petit Journal" describes the League of Nations as a "Kingdom of Somnambulists and Parrots", the "Matin" declares with sarcasm: "Lord Halifax and M. Bonnet were told that they should be on their guard in Geneva, for Geneva is an equatorial jungle in which the Tower of Babel is being built."

"Both of them, however, went up to the tower and, with declarations of their readiness to settle the Mediterranean conflict and to come to an understanding with Italy, made really a good start."

"All that remained to be done then, was to close the debate when suddenly in the jungle the monkeys of Ariana began skylarking."

"The arrival of a Dervish was announced calling himself 'victorious

He emphasised that the British Government would continue the efforts towards withdrawal of all foreign participants on both sides.

The British Government only desired to serve the best interests of the Spanish people, and secure maintenance of peace in Europe.

M. George Bonnet (France) spoke briefly to the same effect.

RUSSIAN VIEW

M. Maxim Litvinoff (Russia) declared that the Soviet was disposed to give the just demands of Spain full satisfaction.

Senor del Vayo declared that there were 6,000 volunteers on the Government side, against 100,000 Italians and a large group of Germans, and offered to accept an inquiry into his statement.—Reuter.

TWO CATS GET BLOOD TRANSFUSIONS

Buttercup To The Rescue

The lives of two cats have been saved in Denver (Colorado) by blood transfusions from their friend Buttercup, a large yellow tom cat.

A short time ago Buttercup became ill of feline septicemia, which is fatal in 90 per cent. of the cases. However, he recovered but his two friends Skeeze and Snickelfritz became seriously ill and the veterinarian resorted to blood transfusions in the hope that Buttercup's blood was "armed" against the disease.

Dr. A.A. Hermann drew 80 cubic centimetres of blood from the cat's body through a hollow needle. Within a second the blood was flowing through the veins of the other two.

Skeeze and Snickelfritz and Buttercup are all now in excellent condition.

lion of the tribe of Judah" and "Emperor of Ethiopia."

"At one stroke the answer to the question whether Italy dominates Abyssinia and whether 20 members of the League, among them five members of the League of Nations Council, recognised the Italian sovereignty or not, had to be postponed."—Trans-Ocean.

NORWAY— RECOGNISES ROME EMPIRE

Oslo, To-day.

Following the example of Sweden and Finland, Norway has decided to recognise de facto, Italian domination of Ethiopia.—Reuter.

MEXICAN OIL OFFER

Mexico City, To-day.

It is now learned that the Mexican Government is to offer the expropriated oil companies over a period of ten years, 60 per cent. of Mexico's total output of oil, which is about the proportion that Mexico annually exports, after an allowance for local consumption.

It is understood that proceeds of the sale above the exported amount will be devoted to a special fund for repayment to the companies of the amount eventually agreed upon.—Reuter.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN AMERICA

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt yesterday stated that the unemployment census would show that 5,833,000 were totally unemployed, 2,000,000 unemployed except for emergency work, and 3,200,000 partially unemployed.—Reuter.

GEN. SPEARS' ESTIMATES CHALLENGED

Berlin, To-day.

Pointing out that of 3,500,000 Sudetic Germans, about 2,800,000 live in a compact mass situated in territory right along the Reichs frontier, the National Socialist central organ, "Volkischer Beobachter" contests the correctness of statements made by the English Conservative M.P., Brigadier-General E. L. Spears, who in a letter to the "Times" declared that only 800,000 Sudetic Germans lived in a compact colony and that the rest were scattered over the whole of Czechoslovakia.

The "Volkischer Beobachter" emphasises that it is here a matter of altogether 3,500,000 Germans organised as a State in a manner that would lose nothing from the comparison with numerous other nations in Europe living in closed national States.

It is therefore not permissible in this case to speak of a German "minority."

The Volkischer Beobachter also contests the other statement made by General Spears that in Germany a Czech minority of no less than 400,000 is living.

This statement is said to be quite erroneous. In Germany, that is to say in the former Reich territory before the incorporation of Austria, 176,000 Czechoslovak subjects were living, and it is believed that no more than 10,000 could have been Czechs.—Trans-Ocean.

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ATLANTIC AIR SERVICES

U.S. Government Impatient Over Delay

No Start Until Next Year?

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AVIATION INTERESTS ARE RELIABLY REPORTED TO BE GETTING IMPATIENT WITH WHAT IS TERMED BRITISH DELAY IN STARTING THE TRANSATLANTIC AIR SERVICE.

Under the Anglo-American agreement for mutual use of bases and navigating facilities, which was signed last year, it was provided that neither Imperial Airways nor Pan American should start an air service between the U.S. and Great Britain until both were ready.

Pan American will be ready to start flying on a regular air mail schedule this summer. Imperial Airways, according to information will not be ready at least until 1939. The correspondent of the New York Times comments:

U.S. SERVICE HELD UP

"If the British insist on the American line delaying another year or two until Imperial Airways perfects its planes before opening the New York-Southampton service, the U.S. Post Office is understood to be willing to ask for bids on air mail to ports in Continental Europe, with Spain and Portugal especially in mind."

Such a service, the New York Times correspondent continues, could be operated non-stop from New York to Lisbon, a distance of 3,200 miles, by Pan American's new 42-ton Boeing "Yankee Clipper" planes. Test flights of these



The Air Officer Commanding India, Air Marshal Joubert de la Ferte, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., made his annual tour of all R.A.F. units in India. He flew from Delhi in a Bomber Transport, making inspections at Ambala, Chaklala, and Risalpur, North-West Frontier. All these units took a very prominent part in the war operations in Waziristan last Autumn and the recently issued report by the Commander-in-Chief speaks of the magnificent work they did under most difficult conditions. Photo shows—The Air Officer Commanding Air Marshal Joubert, photographed in the Bomber Transport machine during the flight to Ambala. (Copyright: By Air Mail).

planes are due to be made this month. They are designed to have a range of 4,000 miles with a payload of four tons.

The American government is represented as being "anxious" that

a start be made this year on the Transatlantic service. About £400,000 is available for use in the form of mail subsidies for such a service, and according to the New York Times government officials "are known to be of the opinion that the events of the coming summer may decide whether the United States is going to maintain or lose its present leadership in international air commerce."

BRITISH PLANES INFERIOR

Deficiencies discovered in Imperial Airways' Empire Flying Boats during last year's Transatlantic test flights are blamed by the New York Times air correspondent for England's alleged delay.

"While little was said about it at the time," he writes, "the British learned that their Empire Flying Boats, for which so much was claimed, did not have the range for the 1,900 jump between Newfoundland and Ireland with a payload. Pan American, on the other hand, though flying a Clipper which they regarded as obsolete for Atlantic travel would have been able to carry a small mail load, sufficient to defray a good deal of the cost of the service."—Reuter.

A Display of Physical Training will be held at the Central British School on Friday May 13, at 5.15 p.m. The purpose of the display is to give parents an opportunity of seeing for themselves what is being done in this important branch of Education. An annotated programme is being sold in aid of the Library Games Fund. These may be had on payment of 50 cents in School on Friday morning.

Air Liners Of The Future To Fly Higher

Experiments are being made by the Air Ministry with air-tight cabins to make liners suitable for high-speed, high-level flying.

Economic air transport, at a height of 20,000ft or 21,000ft, is possible. Its advantages include smoother air and freedom from storms.

Comfort for passengers can be ensured, without oxygen apparatus, by supercharging the air in the cabin, maintaining it at about the same density as at sea-level.

SEALED BOX

Various rubber fittings for sealing the cabin are being tried. The aeroplane instruments are contained in a box sealed from the supercharged air of the cabin, but open to the outside air.

In the United States preparations far advanced for high-level flying. Transcontinental and Western Air Services have already announced the introduction of specially equipped liners on the transcontinental service in June.

The machines will be called Strato-liners, although the height at which they will normally operate is nearly a mile below the lowest level of the stratosphere. The air density in the cabin will be maintained by air compressors similar to the engine supercharger.

WALLS STRENGTHENED

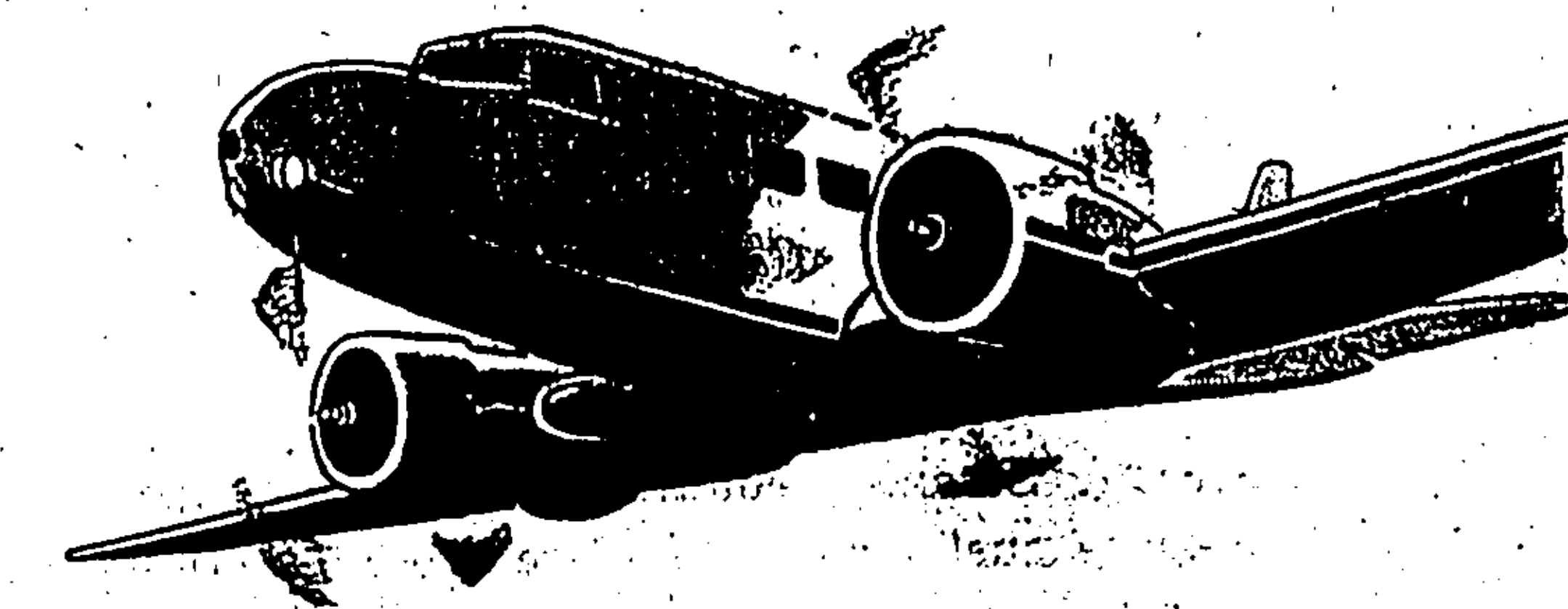
The walls of the cabin are made to withstand a pressure differential of 6lb to the square inch between outside and inside air.

In operation, however, the pressure differential will not exceed 2½lb per square inch. This will be sufficient to maintain conditions in the cabin equivalent to those experienced at a height of 8,000ft, even when the machine is at 15,000ft.

When it is at 21,000ft the cabin conditions will be about the same as at about 10,500ft. To any ordinary passenger, sitting at ease in an aeroplane, this is not uncomfortable.

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REORGANISATION OF BRITAIN'S STAFF COLLEGE

Age For Entrants To Be Gradually Reduced One Year Courses In Each Of Two Wings

London, To-day.

Reorganisation of the Staff College, which will have the effect of increasing the supply of Staff Officers and reducing the age at which they will graduate from the Staff College was announced yesterday and referred to by the War Minister in his speech when laying the foundation stone of new buildings at Cheltenham College.

16,500 MILE FLIGHT TO POLAND

Los Angeles, To-day.

Five Polish airmen took off at 6.15 yesterday evening on the first hop of a 16,500-mile flight to Warsaw via South America.

They are delivering a new Lockheed airliner to Poland.—Reuter.

VISCOUNT ROTHERMERE PRAISES HITLER

London, To-day.

In a leading article on European problems published in the "Daily Mail," the proprietor of the paper, Viscount Rothermere, gives his personal impressions of Adolf Hitler.

"Hitler radiates the spirit of good comradeship," begins Lord Rothermere and says that the Fuehrer is simple, unaffected and honest.

Lord Rothermere declares that there is no person known to him, whose promises in any matter of importance he regards as more sincere.

Hitler believes that Germany has a divine mission to fulfil and the German people is called to save Europe from subversive plans of revolutionary communists.

Hitler has thoroughly purified the moral life of the German nation.

HITLER'S ESTEEM

Lord Rothermere says that in a personal conversation he had with the Fuehrer, Hitler expressed his esteem for the British people.

Lord Rothermere turns to the relations between France and England and takes the view that the British Government should exercise great caution in all conversations with the French Ministers. These gentlemen, declares Lord Rothermere, are "captives of their own foolishness."

The Czechoslovakian problem, concludes Lord Rothermere, is a dangerous growth at the present devouring heart of Europe.—Trans-Ocean.

The reorganisation will come into effect in January next. The Staff College will be divided into two wings—Junior and Senior Wing.

The object of a one year course at the junior wing will be to train officers to fill staff appointments up to and including the second grade.

Approximately 120 officers will attend each course, of whom about 100 will be officers of the Regular Army.

These 100 officers will be selected by competitive examination as at present. The other 20 or so vacancies will be available for representatives of the Territorial Army, Royal Marines, Royal Air Force, Dominions, Egypt, Iraq and foreign countries.

The age of entry of this wing is to be reduced by stages so that for examination in 1941 and subsequent years, candidates will have to be under 30 instead of under 34 as at present.

The object of the course, which also be for one year, at the Senior Wing will be to train officers to fill first grade Staff appointments and for Command.

About 55 officers will attend the course of whom about 30 will be officers of the Regular Army. These will be nominated to admission by the Army Council.

The remaining vacancies will be filled by officers of the Territorial Army, Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Royal Air Force, Dominions and Indian Army.—British Wireless.

FIGHTING FOREST FIRES FROM THE AIR

New Soviet Service

A regular service of fire-fighting aeroplanes is being introduced in the Archangel and Volga regions the Karelian republic and other forest regions of the U.S.S.R.

It has been found that by far the most effective way of dealing with forest fires is by parachute descents of fire fighters, and special schools have been opened to train men for this purpose.

The crew of each fire-fighting aeroplane consists of an experienced pilot and observer, and three or four firemen-parachutists.

Each machine will be equipped with devices for sending down by parachute provisions and fire-fighting implements, and a new type of parachute and special forest fire extinguisher have been designed for the new service.

IL DUCE HEADS AN ARMADA

Rome, To-day.

Signor Mussolini, accompanied by Count Ciano (Foreign Minister) and General Achille Starace (Fascist Party Secretary), sailed from Gaeta yesterday afternoon on board a battleship at the head of an armada of warships for Genoa.

At Genoa to-day he will make his first speech since his conversations with Hitler.—Reuter.

WHERE THE 3D PIECES GO

Big Orders From Colonies

Several theories to explain the comparative scarcity of threepenny pieces have been advanced.

Since the 12-sided variety of the coin was issued a year ago, 50,000,000 have been minted, but very few appear to be in general circulation.

The explanation given by a member of a well-known firm of numismatists was that banks do not issue the coins unless requested to do so.

"Banks consider them a nuisance," he said, "and are reluctant to handle them. For one thing a special compartment in their tills is necessary."

The Royal Mint is of the opinion that millions are still being kept as curios, many people thinking that they would soon be withdrawn from circulation.

"The 50,000,000—that have been issued to date," said an official, "is not really very many. We shall continue to mint them, and no doubt it will not be very long before they will be in general circulation."

300 IN ONE ORDER

London dealers have been receiving orders from abroad for these threepenny pieces.

"Last week one of the Colonies ordered 300 of the coins, which were collected and despatched in one day," said a dealer.

A woman who runs a small poker club in Kensington said that the 12-sided threepenny pieces were in her opinion, "the most marvellous things for a game of poker."

"Directly the coins were issued," she said, "we got a bag of £5 worth from the bank. Since then we have collected them from shops and post offices, and at the present moment I have a bag in my room which is weighed down with them."

"We are only a small circle of eight or nine friends, but most of us belong to other clubs, where the same practice is followed. I think it is almost universal now."

Just how rare are the new threepenny pieces is illustrated by the fact that a jewellery firm in Oxford-street is selling them for 4d each.

"We sell many to people from the country," said a member of the firm, "and especially to people from Northern Ireland."

DIVISION ENDS IN TIE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

M.P.s Surprised By Rare Occurrence

A rare event, a division which resulted in a tie and required the exercise of the Speaker's casting vote, startled the House of Commons recently.

There are precedents in Parliamentary history, but they seldom occur more than once in a generation.

The last occasion a House of Commons division ended in a dead-heat was in 1910.

The most famous and important was the tie in 1805, when Speaker Abbot, after ten minutes of deliberation before a deeply silent House, gave his casting vote for the impeachment of Lord Melville and thereby, as all men then believed, hastened the premature death of Pitt, whom the vote deprived of his strongest Minister at the crisis of the struggle with Napoleon.

No major issue hung upon this division. Neither the Government nor any party question was involved.

It was taken on Cmdr. O. Locker Lampson's introduction of a bill to "extend Palestinian nationality," that is to facilitate the immigration of Jews to Palestine.

ATTACK ON HITLER

The numbers were 144 on either side. The Speaker, who, of course, never votes except when numbers are equal, pronounced that he must give his casting vote in favour of the bill, so that the House might deal with it as it thought fit.

This success of the measure on its first stage leaves it, however, with small chance of proceeding further. A private member's bill introduced at this stage of the session is faced with obstacles almost insuperable.

RUSH FOR WARTIME HOMES

Thousands of people in England are buying country hide-outs for the use of their families in the event of air raids.

Owners of cottages in remote districts are making money hand over fist.

So brisk has the demand become for these isolated houses that premises which a few years ago could be bought for £300 or £400 now fetch £800 and £1,000.

Devonshire, Gloucestershire, North Wales, the Yorkshire moors, and the Highlands of Scotland are the favourite spots.

TIN HO BOMBED

Canton, To-day.

A fleet of Japanese planes raided the outskirts of the city after 8.30 p.m. yesterday. Several bombs were dropped at the Tin Ho Aerodrome.

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PLANNED ECONOMY

The call which Sir Kingsley Wood last week sent out to local authorities in England, asking them to submit their programmes for public works for the next five years and thereby enable Government to move to some extent in the direction of planned economy, is highly interesting, as the first indication by Whitehall that it pays the least attention to its Commissioners for the Special Areas. Not that it goes nearly far enough. But it is something. In his last Report, Sir George Gillett, Commissioner for England and Wales, asserted the right of the State to interfere with the location of industry:

The Government cannot, in my view (he said), especially since the introduction of tariffs and quotas, evade all responsibility for the location of industry. In many foreign countries Governments are assuming growing control of industrial location, and it seems clear that social and strategic as well as purely economic causes will drive the Government of this country to abandon the laissez-faire attitude which was the prevailing doctrine up to a recent date.

Sir George was, of course, too optimistic. There was at the same time published (at the extortionate price of five shillings for fifty-seven unbound pages) the evidence tendered by the Board of Trade to the Royal Commission on the Geographical Distribution of the Industrial Population. It purported to discuss interference with the location of industry from the purely economic view and argued, with considerable daring even for a

theoretical economist, that whatever the private capitalist does must of necessity be the nearest approach to complete efficiency that can be thought of. To interfere with the siting of an export industry, it holds, "might have a serious effect upon our export trade and thus upon the whole economy of the country"; even to interfere with the location of industries sheltered by a tariff "may result in unnecessarily raising the price of their products to the consumer" and lead to still higher tariffs. There is much more of it. Mr. Oliver Stanley was apparently indignant that the laissez-faire faith of his Department has been criticised. The contrast between it and Sir George Gillett's report must have disturbed him still more. The further point brought out by Sir George is worth emphasis. He urged the Government to adopt the policy of having public works ready for a time of depression and described from his experience with the local authorities how much delay there is before schemes are ready for operation. Unless schemes are prepared rapidly now no workmen will be employed on them until the next slump is over. It is gratifying to find at least one Minister ready to take the hint.

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A Way of Life

It has been said of Rabelais that, sitting upon the threshold of the modern world, he laughed away the superstitions of the Middle Ages. It may be so, but a much greater and more widely humane representative of the later learning and all that its spirit had to teach, of tolerance and the art of life was the Montaigne who was a young man of twenty when Rabelais died in 1553. Lord Baldwin was quoting from him at the London Guildhall when he reminded his hearers that "lack of goods can be easily remedied, but poverty of the soul is incurable," and Sir Samuel Hoare, as the newly installed Chancellor of Reading University, took Montaigne as the basis for his address to the students. He confessed himself more than ever impressed by the breadth of the famous French essayist's human wisdom and "by his balanced poise in a shaking universe"—and if any later age also has need of a balanced poise this is it. To be patient, thought the Home Secretary, would be the first advice that Montaigne would give to the modern world and patience (though Montaigne would hardly have thought of this point) was essentially one of the qualities that the British Empire should teach the world. Well, patience, as Vauvenargues (another wise Frenchman) has reminded us, "is the art of hoping," and it would be a purblind student of affairs who tried to pretend that there was not full scope for the exercise of that art in the world that lies around us. And if Sir Samuel Hoare's version of patience as a "blend of courage and scientific sincerity" is not quite so crisp as the French definition, it has other thoughtful qualities. He praised, as Lord Baldwin has often done before him, attributes that we like to think of as English, but he supported them with testimony from other lands. It was an address that was worth reading, if only as an indication of an approach to politics which is not uncharacteristic of the British Isles.

AIR BOMBING IN NEXT WAR

Italian Plans For A Lightning Blow

GOLD BATH FOR DUKE OF WINDSOR

Cannes, April 23.

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor left Cannes to-night for Paris. Although they have not yet signed the deeds, they have taken Sir Pomeroy Burton's house, the Villa Lacroix, at Antibes, for their Riviera home.

I understand the Duke has rented the villa for two years, with an option for a third, at £3,125 a year.

The best bedroom has a gold bath adjoining, standing in the middle of a large room. Its exterior is of carved wood with an Egyptian design; the inside is of gold.

Recently a visitor who used the bath scraped off a piece of the gold with a penknife. It was one of the most talked-of thefts on the Riviera for many years.

The "thief" was never discovered; at any rate. Sir Pomeroy never prosecuted.

"A WAR OF SWIFT DECISION"

Two documents just issued reveal the conviction of the Italian General Staff that the next war will be won by a lightning blow delivered at the outset.

General Pariani, under-secretary for War, in his introduction to the army estimates, says: "The fundamental principle of our military training is, 'a war of swift decision.'"

The report accompanying the air force estimates boldly asserts the theory that overwhelming air attack will crush the enemy's resistance.

AVIATION

"That side will win," it says, "which can defend its own soil by a lightning air offensive which will crush the resistance of the enemy in the vital points of his own territory. Such an offensive must from the very outset of the war carry in the shadow of its wings the hallmark of a power which no defence can stop.

"In a future European war,

and that inevitably means a world war, aviation will play the principal part, directing and dominating the course of the war and the course of history."

The report sweeps aside the view of British military critics that air power has been below expectations in Spain.

The war in Spain is a civil war, it says, in which General Franco's side is trying to obtain victory with a minimum of bloodshed and destruction of property.

VERY DIFFERENT

"It is very different from the unrestricted war with gloves off which would inevitably result from the clash of people in a general conflict on which the life and death of nations, the domination or the enslavement of whole peoples, would depend.

"When the air attack breaks free, even for a moment, from its restrictions, as it did recently at Barcelona, its action is felt right through the enemy camp. The terror which is created, at the point where it strikes spreads and echoes even beyond the limits of the conflict."

"In China, too, the alleged limitations of air attack do not apply. The great cities have not been razed to the ground only because the invader is so sure of his final victory that he can afford to inflict the minimum of destruction.

"In a world conflagration whole peoples, and not only opposing armed forces, will be broken."

FOREIGN FORCES

Referring to the progress of foreign air forces the report repeats the commonly heard Italian gibe that Britain cannot get enough recruits for her armed forces.

"Britain has rapidly put into

HE BEAT CHESS MASTER

London, April 23.

Sensation of the Margate chess congress yesterday was the defeat of Dr. Alekhine, chess champion of the world, by the young Latvian champion, V. Petrov.

And then only a short time afterwards Petrov himself was beaten by the British player, C. H. O'D. Alexander.

"I am very pleased to have defeated the world champion at last," Petrov told a reporter.

"We have met on three occasions and this is the first time that I have won. Dr. Alekhine played some risky moves and left his position exposed."

Commenting on his own defeat by Alexander, Petrov said, "I was too tired. The strain of playing Dr. Alekhine was too much."

CHINESE Y.W.C.A.

The 18th Annual Meeting of the Chinese Y.W.C.A. will be held this afternoon at 38, C Bonham Road at 7.30 p.m. when Mrs. Siu-feng Huang, Vice-President of the World's Y.W.C.A., will deliver an address. The meeting will be followed by a concert and all friends and members are welcome.

At 5 p.m., a thanksgiving service for the conclusion of the Finance Campaign will be held at the Association headquarters. All finance workers are cordially invited to attend. Seven teams took part in the Campaign and a sum of \$10,763.98 has been raised. Of Mrs. Wong Pak Chau (Captain) and Mrs. Wong Wa Lum (Vice-Chairman), collected \$2,600.80. Mrs. Li Tse Fong's team came a close second with a sum of \$2,496.70, while Mrs. Lambert Kwok's team came third with a total of \$1,871.00. Of individual efforts, Mrs. Wong Lum Hing topped the list with a sum of \$1,161.00. Mrs. Wong Wa Lum came second with \$857.00, and Mrs. Li Tse Fong third, with \$710.00.

HITLER AUTOGRAPH AUCTIONED AT HIGHER PRICE THAN DUCE'S

The respective importance in France of Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini may be judged in a humorous light by the sale of their autographs at a recent auction in Paris.

The Fuehrer's autograph fetched Frs. 18,000, while Il Duce's was a poor second with a mere Frs. 4,500.

The discrepancy between the two prices may lay in the fact that Herr Hitler's autograph consisted of a letter written to Captain Rohm (who was executed during the 1934 purge), appointing him leader of the Storm-Troopers.

Other interesting articles which figured in the sale were an album

belonging to the well-known singer Mlle. Yvette Guilbert, which went for Frs. 3,950; and an illustrated first edition of the "History of Marie-Antoinette published in 1878, which fetched Frs. 8,000.

The latter was a rare volume, richly illustrated and bound. It contained original autographs and engravings, all referring to the life of the famous Queen.

Another article which fetched a high price at the sale was a rare edition of the French translation of Jack London's "Call of the Wild." The book was translated by Countess Galard, with a preface by Paul Bourget. The volume was sold for Frs. 6,000.

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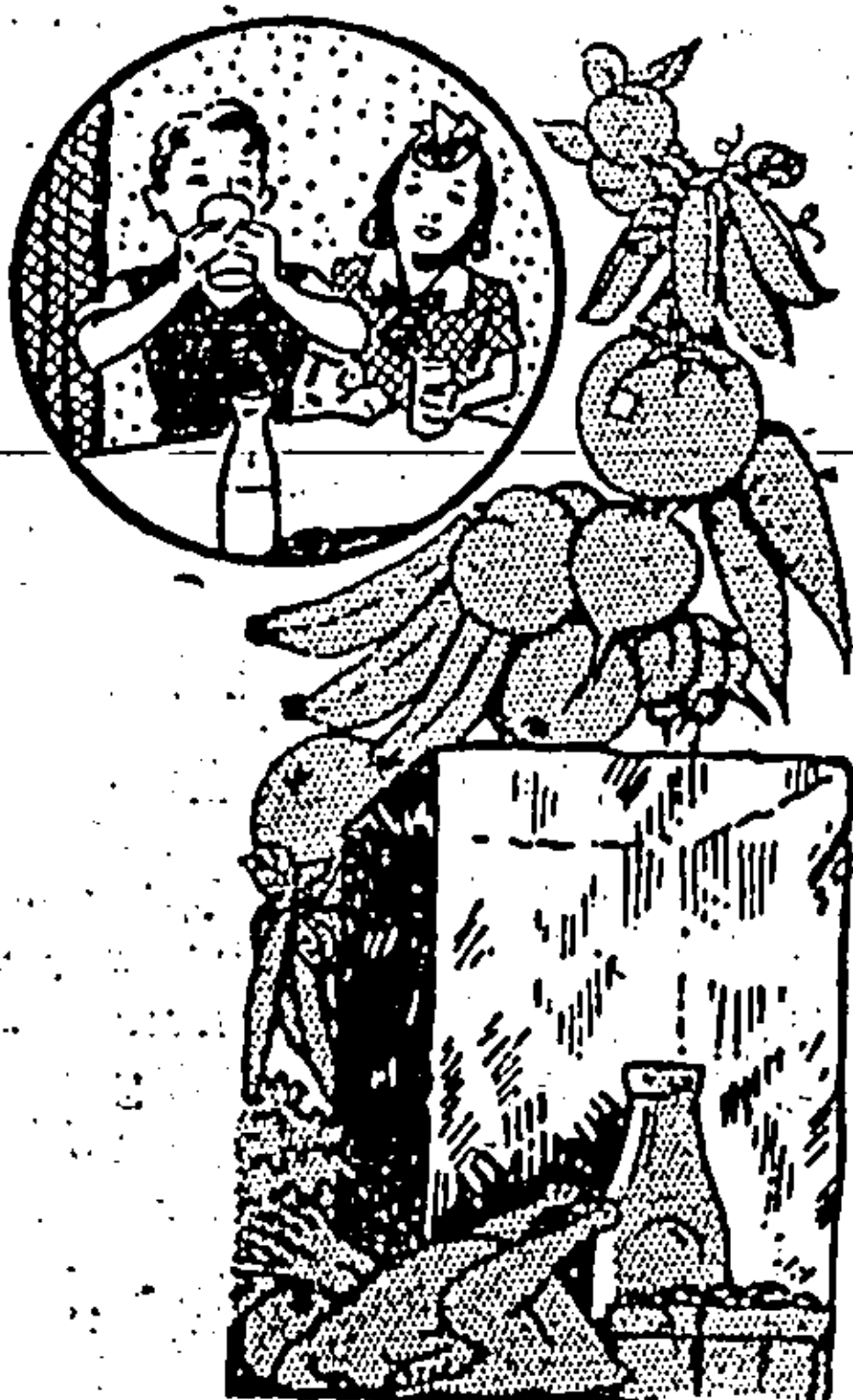
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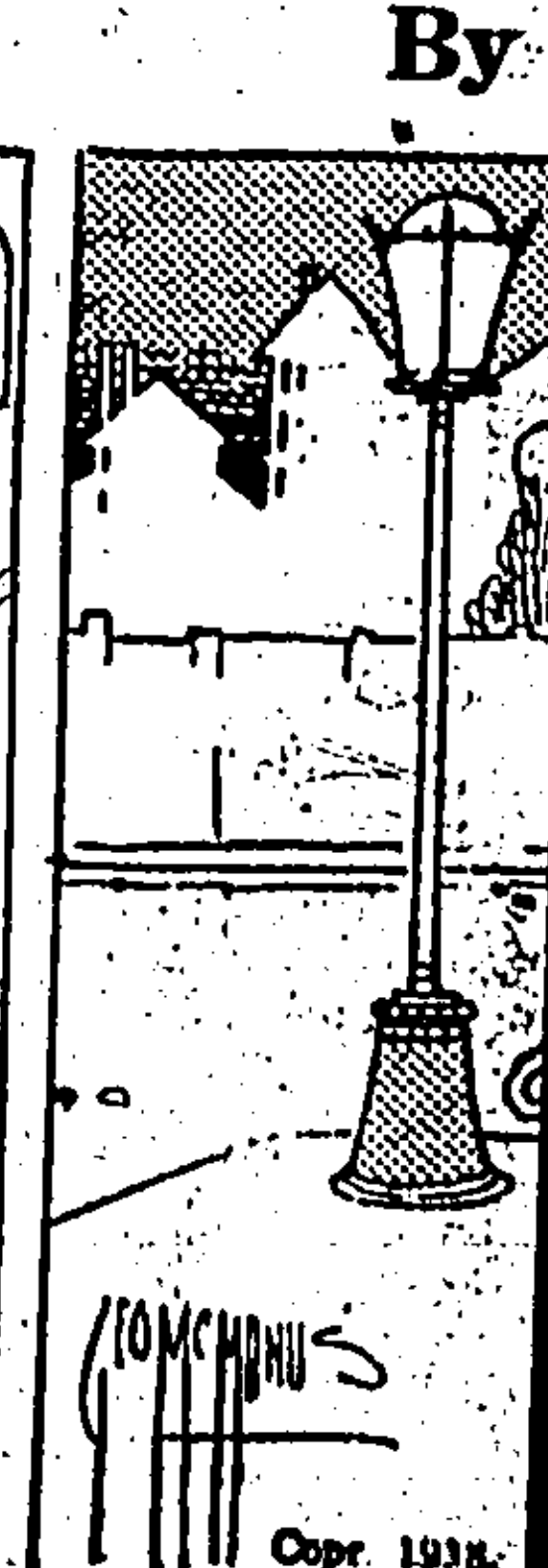
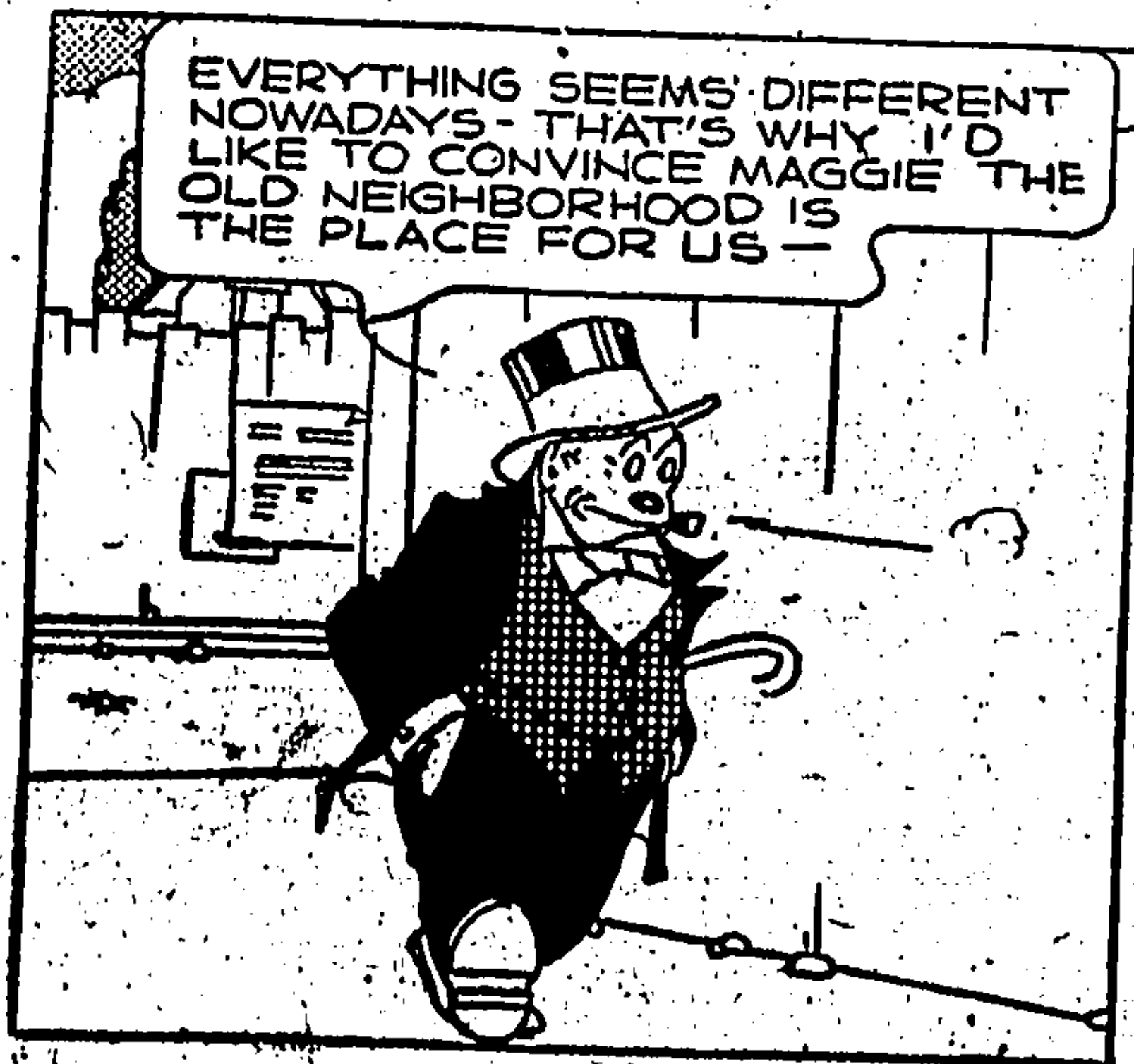
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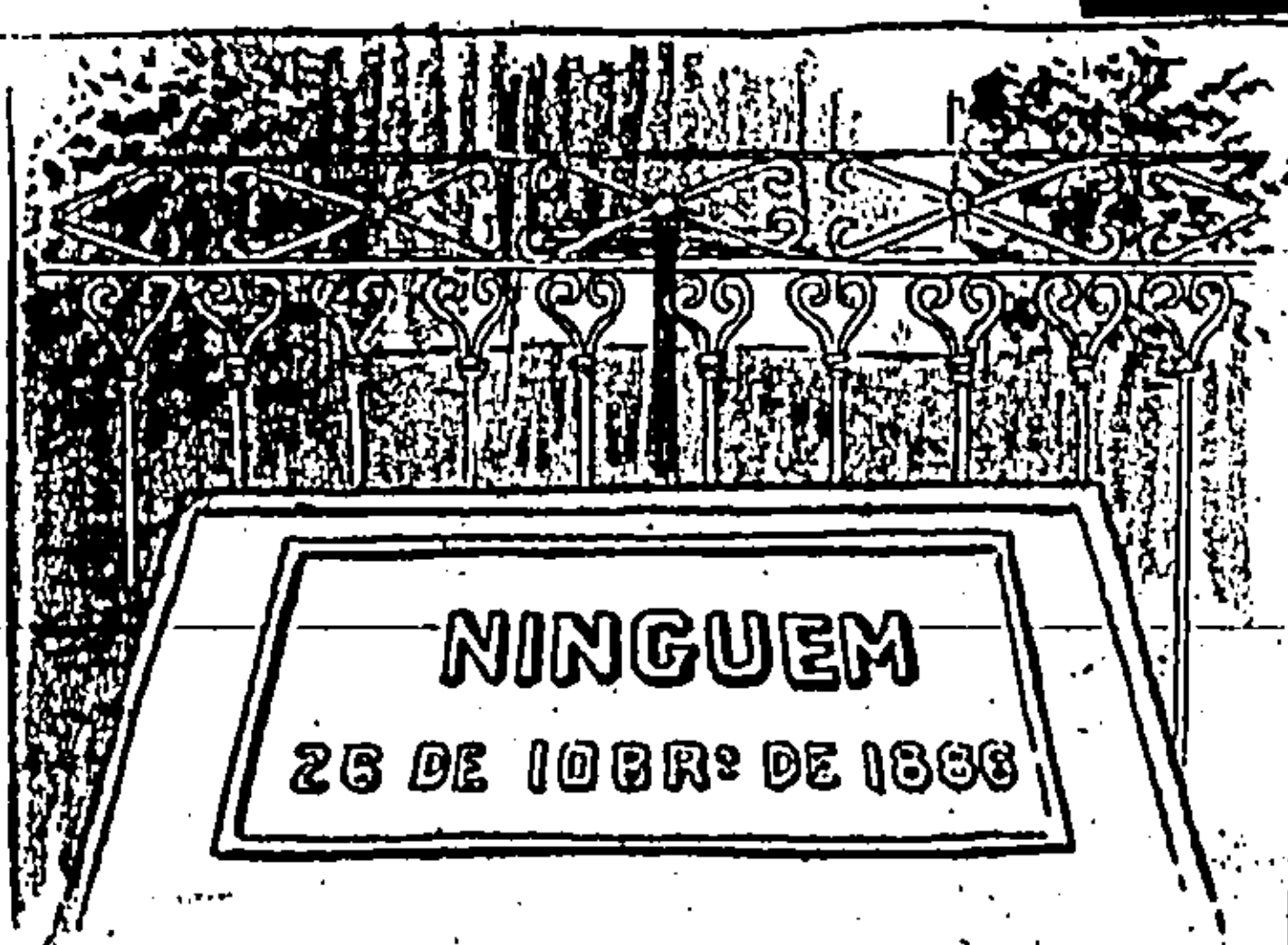
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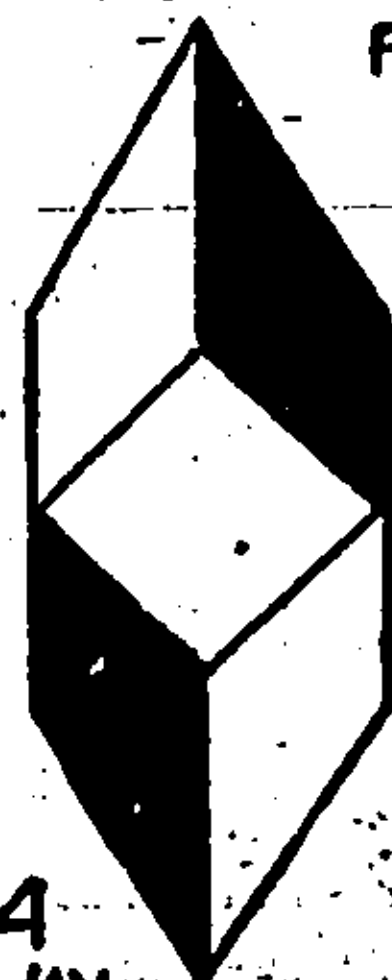
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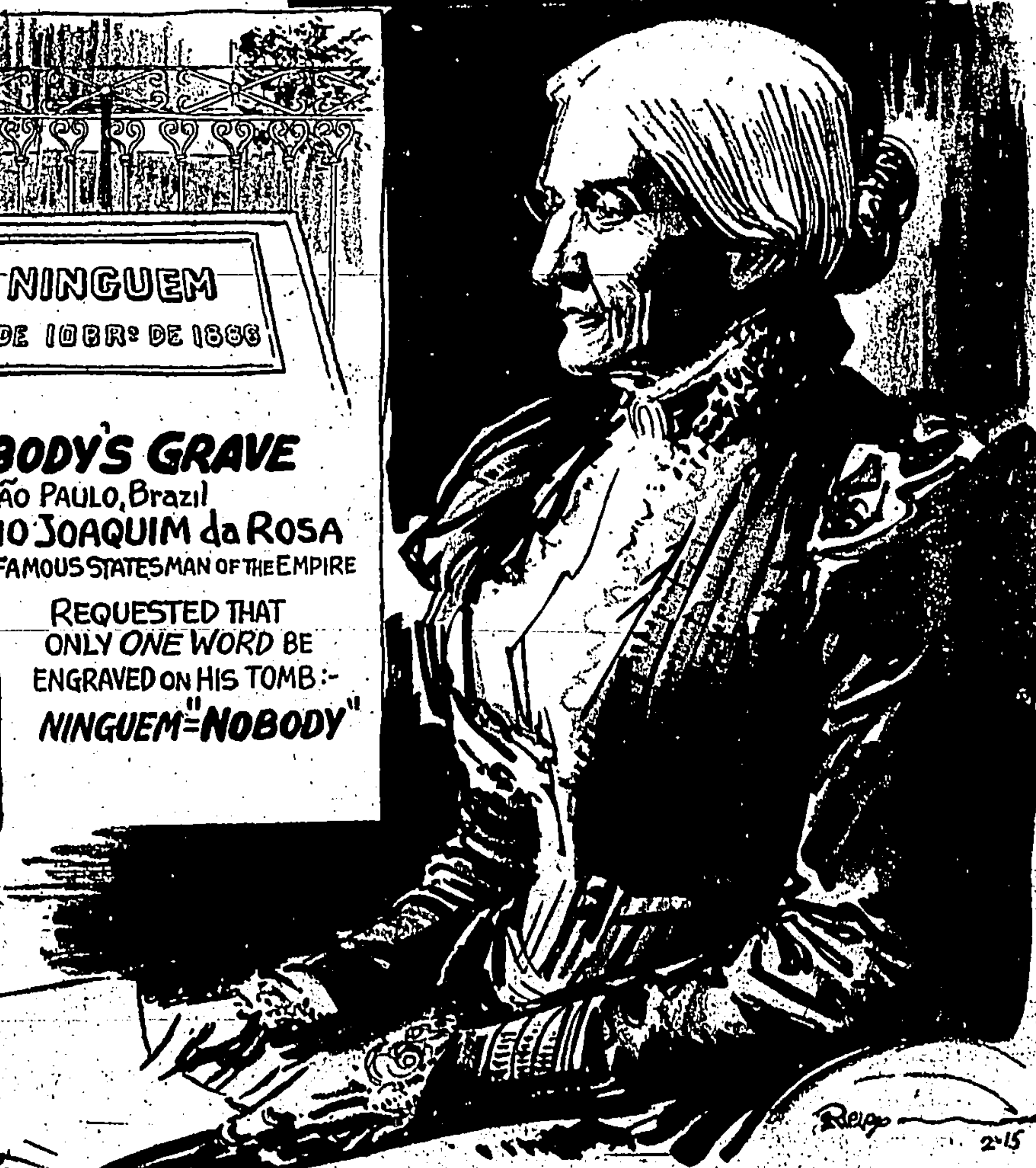
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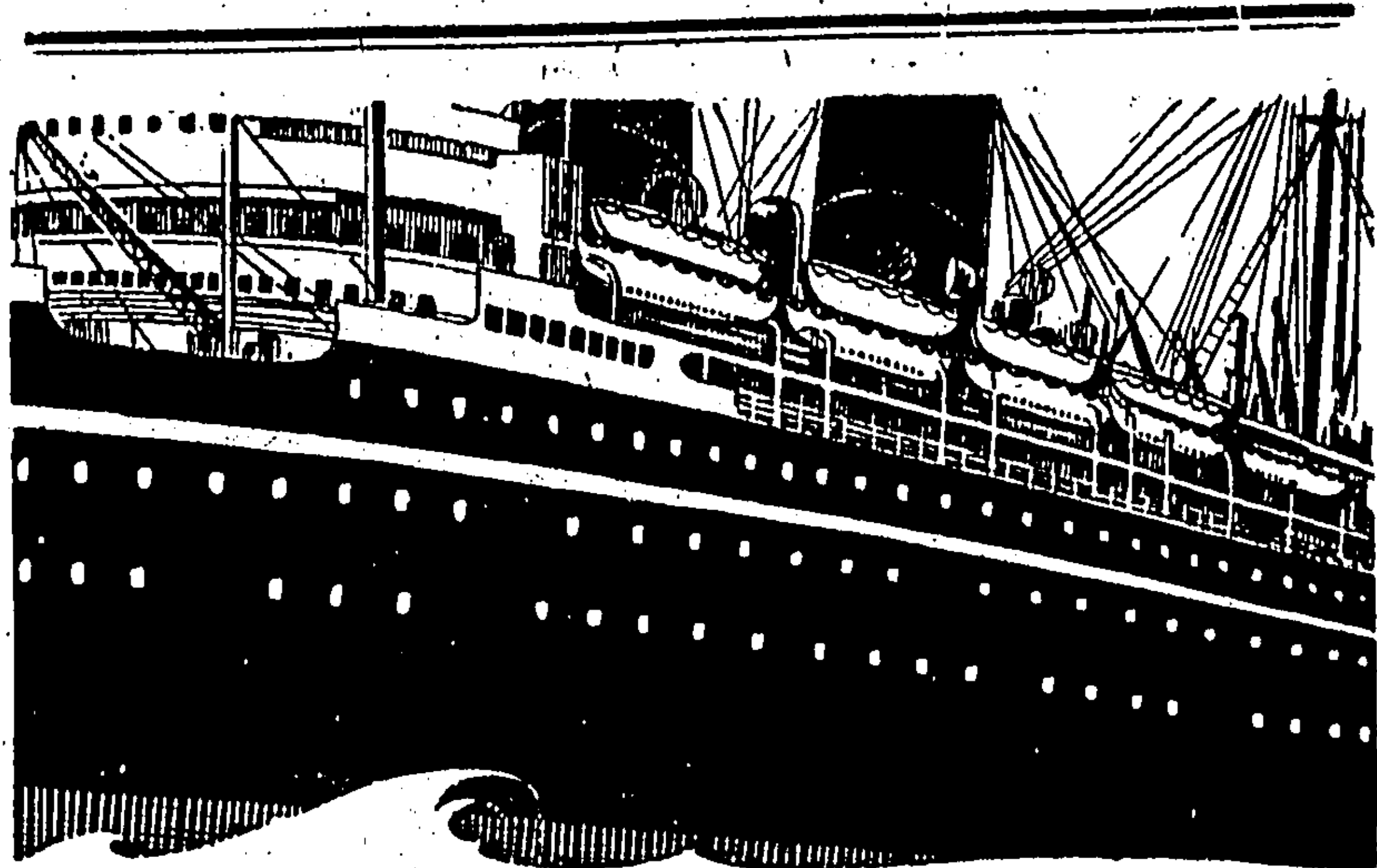
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Straits	Diomed	May 17.
U.S.A., Canada and Japan (Seattle date, 27th April)	Pres. Jefferson	May 17.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 5th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	May 18.
Japan and Shanghai	Deucalion	May 18.
Manila	Neptuna	May 18.
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Hoihow	Produce	May 14, 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, E. Corfu	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Sat., May 14,
& S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 10th June.	Par.,	May 13, 5 p.m.
	Reg.,	May 14, 9.45 a.m.
	Ord.,	May 14, 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Kutsang	Sat., May 14,
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Parcels,	May 14, 11 a.m.
	Ord.,	May 14, Noon.
Air Mail for "France Orient Airways Service"—due Marseilles, 29th May.	Lyeemooon	Sat., May 14,
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
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Air Mail for Sian, Lanchow and Chengtu, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as services permit).	Eurasia Plane	Sat., May 14,
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 22nd May.	Imperial Airways Plane	May 15,
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	May 14, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	May 15, Noon.
Air Mail for Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Darwin, 19th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	May 15,
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	Reg.,	May 14, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	May 15, Noon.
Saigon	Sunday	
Shanghai	Lyeemooon	May 15, 9 a.m.
Swatow and *Shanghai	Sinkiang	May 15, 9 a.m.
Formosa	Soochow	May 15, 9 a.m.
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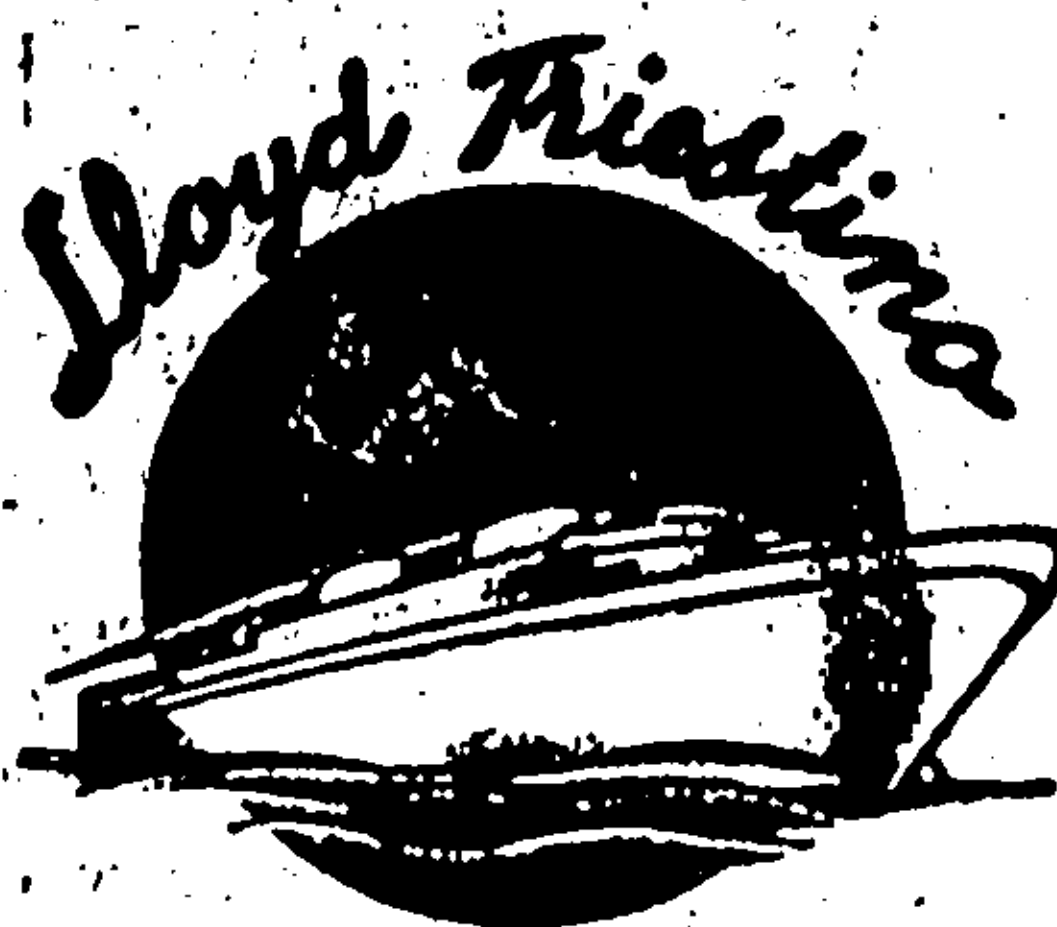
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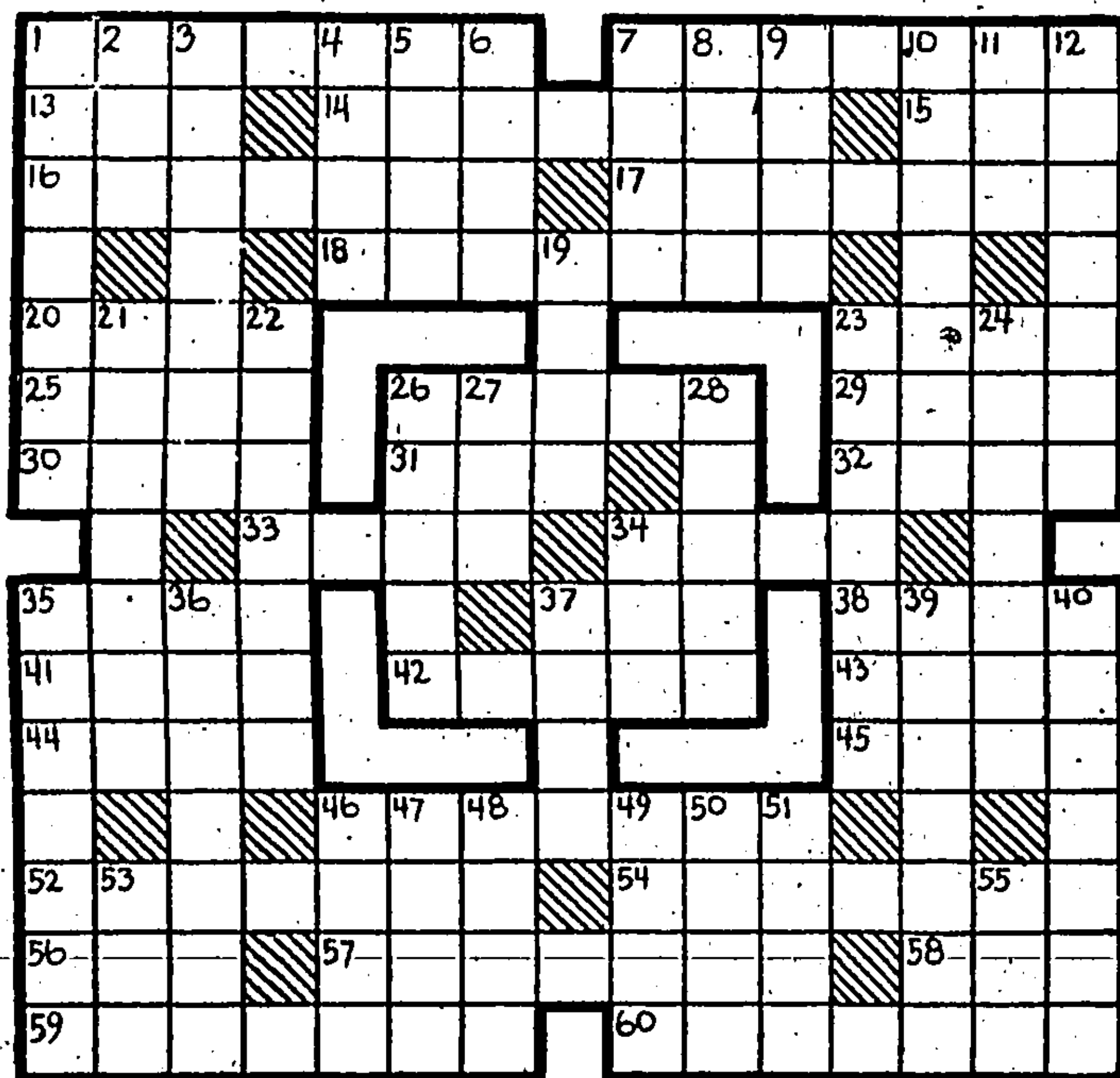
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- 17-Supplicate
- 18-Forsakes
- 20-Entrance to a mine
- 23-Military assistant
- 25-Trailing plant
- 26-Wool-bearing animal
- 29-A dirk (Scot.)
- 30-Unit of work (pl.)
- 31-Mariner
- 32-Inclites
- 33-A horse's gait
- 34-Walk
- 35-Current
- 37-River in Scotland
- 38-Proof
- 41-Prophet
- 42-To clip close with scissors
- 43-In
- 44-Epochs

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 45-Hurl
- 46-A druggist
- 52-Finer
- 54-Seaport in N. W. United States
- 56-Greek goddess of the dawn
- 57-Workers
- 58-Ever (contr.)
- 59-Kind of dog (pl.)
- 60-Abides

VERTICAL

- 1-Bring into bondage
- 2-Portion
- 3-Obliterating
- 4-Dry
- 5-Not any
- 6-Dresses
- 7-Row
- 8-Lease
- 9-Sciences
- 10-Pecking
- 11-Grassy meadow

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 12-Subordinate dinner dishes
- 19-At any time
- 21-More soiled
- 22-Examiners
- 23-Free from disease germs
- 24-Relishes
- 26-Ceases
- 27-Head covering
- 28-Father (Lat.)
- 34-Set of the waves
- 35-Blood sucking flies of Africa
- 36-Most beloved
- 37-Judge
- 39-Performed
- 40-Walks feebly
- 46-An Indian
- 47-Listen
- 48-Makes a mistake
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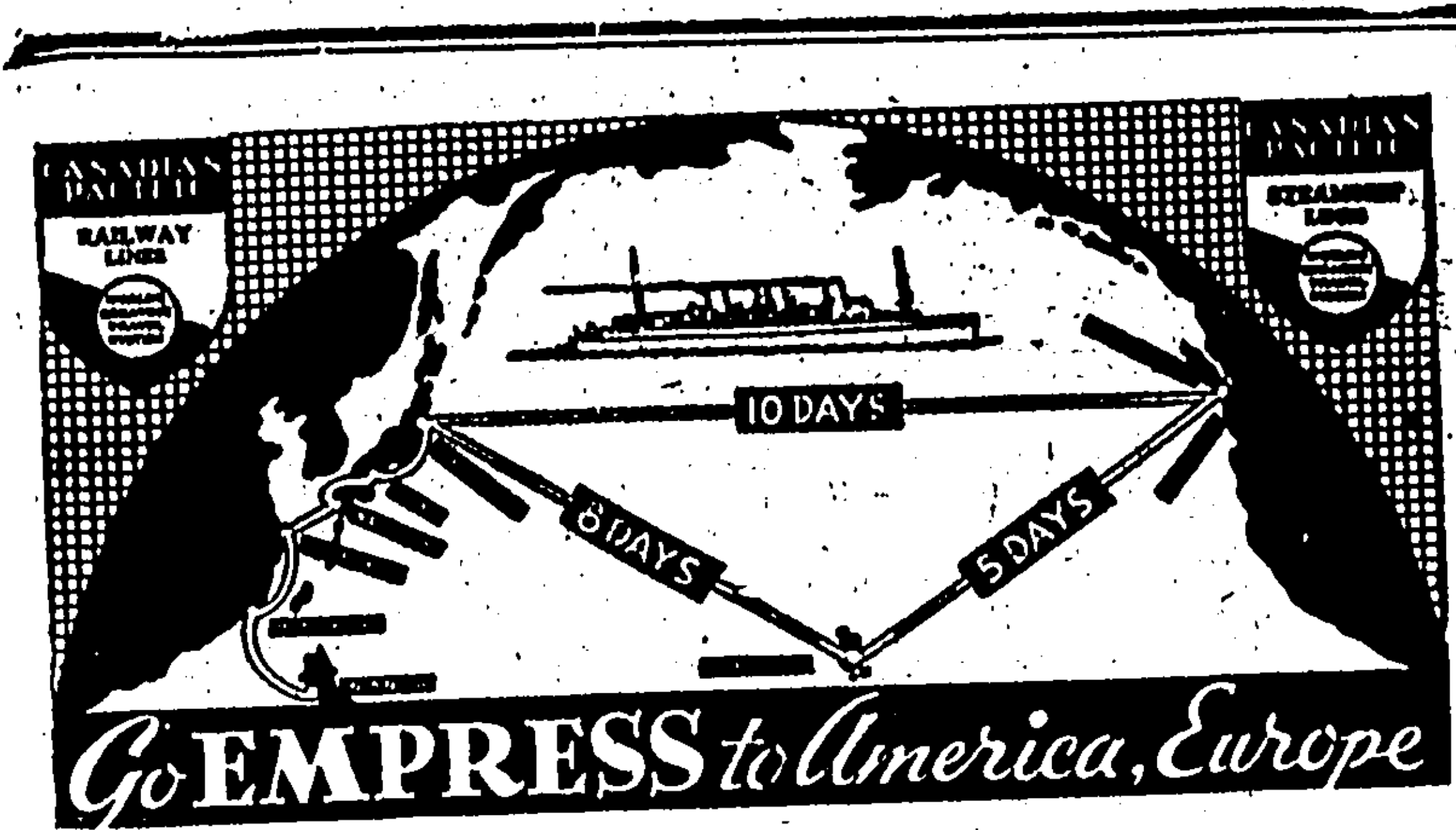
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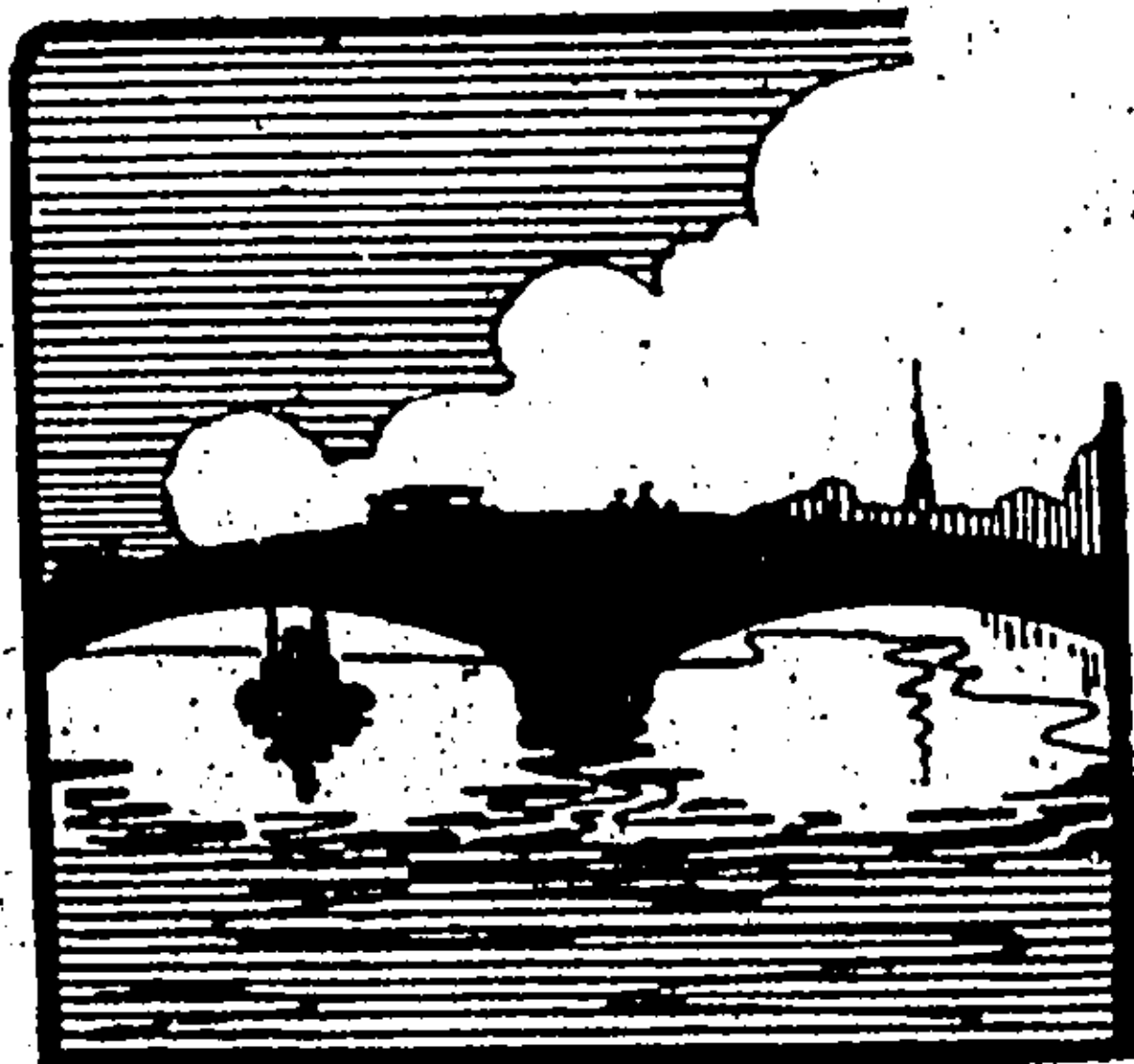
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The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science churches to-morrow, May 15th, will be "Mortals and Immortals."

The Golden Text will be "As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly." (I. Cor. 15:48).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible, "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life. Therefore we are always confident knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord. We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord. Wherefore, henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more. Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new. (II. Cor. 5: 1, 4, 6, 8, 16, 17).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy. "For right reasoning there should be but one fact before the thought, namely, spiritual existence. In reality there is no other existence, since life cannot be united to its unlikeness, mortality. There is no such thing as mortality, nor are there properly any mortal beings, because being is immortal, like Deity,—or rather, being and Deity are inseparable. It is only by acknowledging the supremacy of Spirit, which annuls the claims of matter, that mortals can lay off mortality and find the indissoluble spiritual link which establishes man in the divine likeness, inseparable from his creator. We should consecrate existence, not "to the unknown God" whom we "ignorantly worship", but to the eternal builder, the everlasting Father, to the life which mortal sense cannot impair nor mortal belief destroy. The evidence of man's immortality will become more apparent, as material beliefs are given up and the immortal facts of being are admitted." (Pages 492, 55, 4, 491 and 428).

BOTTLE SOS FROM SINKING SHIP

Found 6 Months Later

An S O S message, written on the cardboard of a cigarette packet and enclosed in a bottle, was read at the Board of Trade inquiry at Sunderland into the loss of the steamer Taylor, 204 tons.

The vessel sank off Buchanan Ness, Aberdeenshire, on September 30, with the loss of five lives.

Mr. E. M. Parsey, for the Board of Trade, said that the British Consul at Copenhagen had sent him the message, which was picked up about a week ago on the west coast of Jutland. It read:

S O S. Life and death. Help. Taylor. Cargo ship off Rattray Head. Hurry. Life or death.—Signed, Blair.

Blair was the second engineer of the Taylor, said Mr. Parsey, and from a comparison of his signature there was no doubt that the message was genuine.

It did not look as if it were done in any particular hurry, and in any case one could not understand why an engineer of experience should send such a bottle message if he expected that the ship was going down in a minute or two.

Mr. Parsey said that the Board of Trade advanced the theory that the vessel was probably sunk by an influx of water, caused by the breaking of a pipe from the sea-inlet to the circulating system of the condenser.

SAVING EFFORT ON THE MARCH

Suggestion By Army
Physical Experts

POSITION OF FEET

The staff of the Army School of Physical Training has asked to be allowed to correct what it regards as a mistaken regulation dealing with the position of the feet of the soldier when marching.

The argument is advanced that soldiers, in conforming with existing regulations, do not use their legs and feet in the easiest and most natural way.

There is an arbitrary regulation which states that when the soldier is standing to "Attention" the heels should be together and in line, with "feet turned out at an angle of 45 degrees."

It is the extent to which the feet are turned out that has disposed the school to advocate corrective work.

A Matter Of Angles

Physical training experts claim that an angle of 30 degrees would be more reasonable. But the trouble is aggravated when the men are on the march. The length of pace in marching is laid down as 30in. When "stepping out" it is 33in.

It is said that the man who walks with his feet pointing outwards—and it is a common habit—loses one inch in each marching pace. The school experts calculate that this means the loss of a half-mile in 15 miles.

It is pointed out that to walk correctly and with the minimum of labour the legs should swing forward freely and naturally from the hip joints, while the foot should be carried straight to the front.

The staff in future courses will teach the soldier how to walk and march rhythmically.

Ninety selected N.C.O.'s of the Army School of Physical Training marched 35 miles in a little over 12 hours in spite of the fact that their recent training had been in canvas shoes.

BELIEVED BURIED IN WRONG NAME

Crash Victim Mystery

A woman killed when a car in which she was a passenger was in collision with a lorry at Falmer, on the Lewes-Brighton road, last November, is believed to have been buried under the wrong name. The facts are being inquired into by the police.

After the driver of the car had given evidence at the inquest the woman was buried in Lewes Cemetery in the name of Mrs. Dorothy Morgan, 36, of Preston. The driver attended the funeral and later left the district.

When the undertaker sent his account to the address the man had given he received a letter from a relative of Mrs. Morgan stating that she was alive.

This led to inquiries, and the police showed the undertaker a photograph of Mrs. Dorothy Pickburn of Farington, near Preston, who had been reported missing. Mrs. Pickburn was a friend of Mrs. Morgan.

The undertaker expressed the opinion that the photograph was of the woman he had buried.

It is possible that the body may be exhumed, but nothing has yet been decided.

H.K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

Orders by Lieut. Colonel R. C. B. Anderson, M. C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

KING'S BIRTHDAY PARADE—PRACTICE
Friday, 13th May, 1938.

Monday 16th May. 5.30 p.m. H. Q. Those detailed by O's. C. Units will attend.

TELEPHONE CALLS

In future no telephone calls for the Quartermaster or storeman will be accepted on the Adjutant's line. All such calls will be made direct to the Quartermaster (Number 39/213).

MAP READING LECTURES

Tuesday 17th May. 5.30 p.m. H. Q. 2nd lecture. Those selected by O's. C. Units will attend.

PARADES

1st Battery
Tuesday 17th May. 5.30 p.m. Belchers. All qualified D. R. F. specialists of both Sections. Examination in D.R.F.

Left and Signal Sections. No parade on Friday 20th May.

Corps Signals
Tuesday 17th May. 5.30 p.m. H. Q. Musketry.

Machine Gun Troop
Tuesday 17th May. 5.45 p.m. Causeway Bay Stables, Riding School.

Armoured Car Section
Tuesday 17th May. 5.45 p.m. H. Q. Class "A"—Driving instruction. Classes "B" and "C"—L. G. instruction.

Motor Machine Gun Platoon
No parade on Friday 20th May.

No. 1 (M.G.) Company
No parade on Friday 20th May.

No. 4 (M.G.) Company
Wednesday 18th May. 5.30 p.m. H. Q. Nos. 1 and 2 Pls.—Musketry. No. 3 Pl., Nos. 9, 10 and 13 Sections—Firing M. G. (5.15 p.m.), Nos. 11 and 12 Sections—M. G. instruction.

There will be no parade on Friday 20th May.

Portuguese Companies
Tuesday 17th May. 5.30 p.m. H. Q. A. A. Company—L. G. elementary handling. No. 5 M. G. Company—Elementary gun drill.

Machine Gun Signals
Monday 16th May. 5.30 p.m. H. Q. Subsections "A" and "B"—Revolver drill.

Pay Section
No parade on Friday 20th May.

R.O.D.C.—Construction Section
Thursday 19th May. 5.30 p.m. H. Q. Musketry.

TRANSFER

No. 2631, Pte. A. W. Mackenzie, No. 2 M. G. Coy., to Air Arm—3.5.38.

LEAVE

Lieut. T. P. Sanderson, No. 2 M. G. Coy., 27.5.38—31.1.39.

2130, F/Cadet, D. R. Ryde, Air Arm, 15.6.38—14.4.39.

STRENGTH—DECREASE
705, C. S. M., B. S. Rogers, M. G. Platoon 1.4.38.

2439, Private, E. M. Guterres, A. A. Company 28.4.38.

STRENGTH—INCREASE
3068 Sapper, H. T. Tam, Engineer Co. L. L. Sec. 5.5.38.

3069, Sapper, S. C. Leung, Engineer Co. L. L. Sec. 5.5.38.

3070, Sapper, Y. K. Tam, Engineer Co. L. L. Sec. 5.5.38.

3071, Sapper W. Ng, Engineer Co. L. L. Sec. 5.5.38.

3072, Sapper, I. T. Chan, Engineer Co. L. L. Sec. 5.5.38.

3073, Sapper, H. C. Li, Engineer Co. L. L. Sec. 5.5.38.

3074, Sapper, C. S. Pang, Engineer Co. L. L. Sec. 5.5.38.

3075, Sapper, C. C. Stimpson, R. O. D. Cadre, Cons. Sec. 7.5.38.

3076, Private, C. D. N. Walker, A. Car Sec. 10.5.38.

3077, Gunner, F. S. Thomson, 2nd Battery 11.5.38.

3078, Sapper, F. K. Chan, Engineer Co., L. L. Sec. 12.5.38.

S. F. HEDGECOE,
Captain,
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NOTICE
Corps Annual Dinner—20th May.
At 8 p.m.

Dress—The "white mess dress" referred to in Corps Orders dated

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See Page 2.

6/5/38 is Corps Uniform. On no account will members of the Corps wear civilian dress at the Corps Dinner.

The sale of tickets for the Dinner will cease at 6 p.m. on Monday 16th May.

There will be no admission except by ticket.

AFFILIATED UNIT NURSING DETACHMENT, H.K.V.D.C.

Lecture
The next lecture on Home Nursing will be given by Mrs. Stout at the P.W.D. Offices at 5.30 p.m. on Monday 16th May.

Leave
Miss G. Ezra granted leave from 4.5.38 to 17.12.38.

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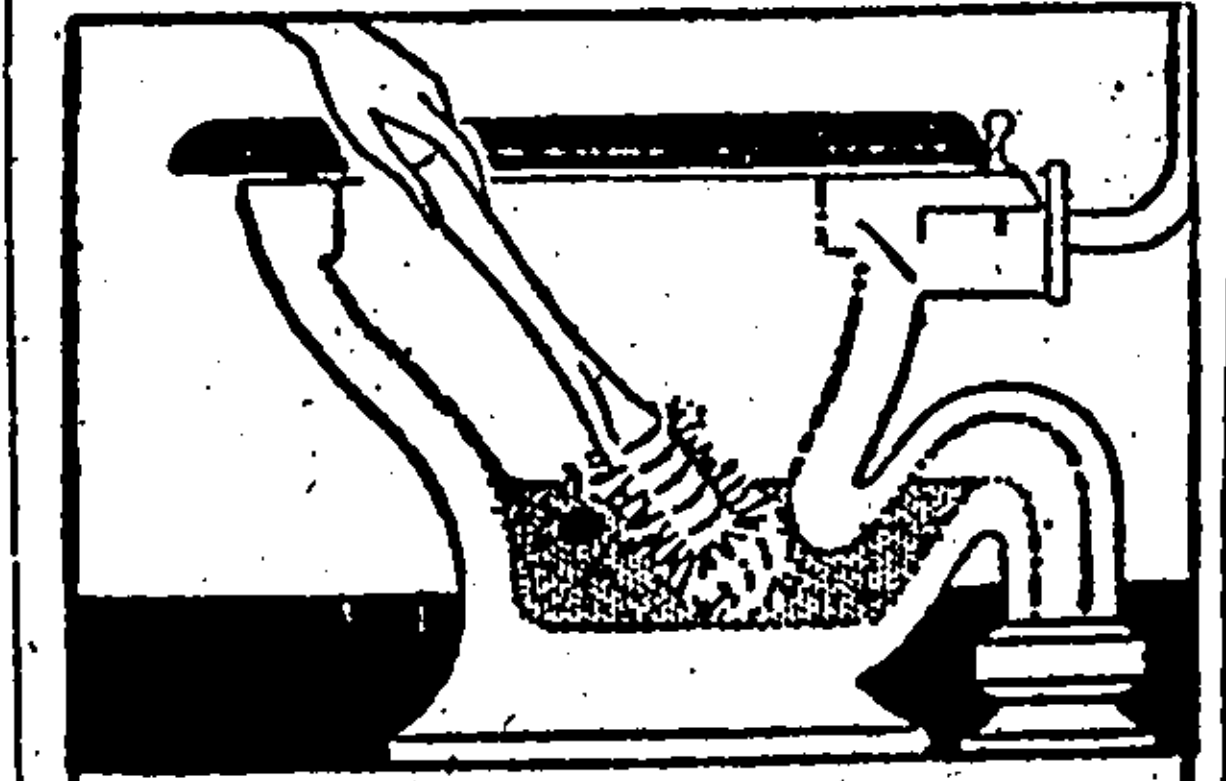
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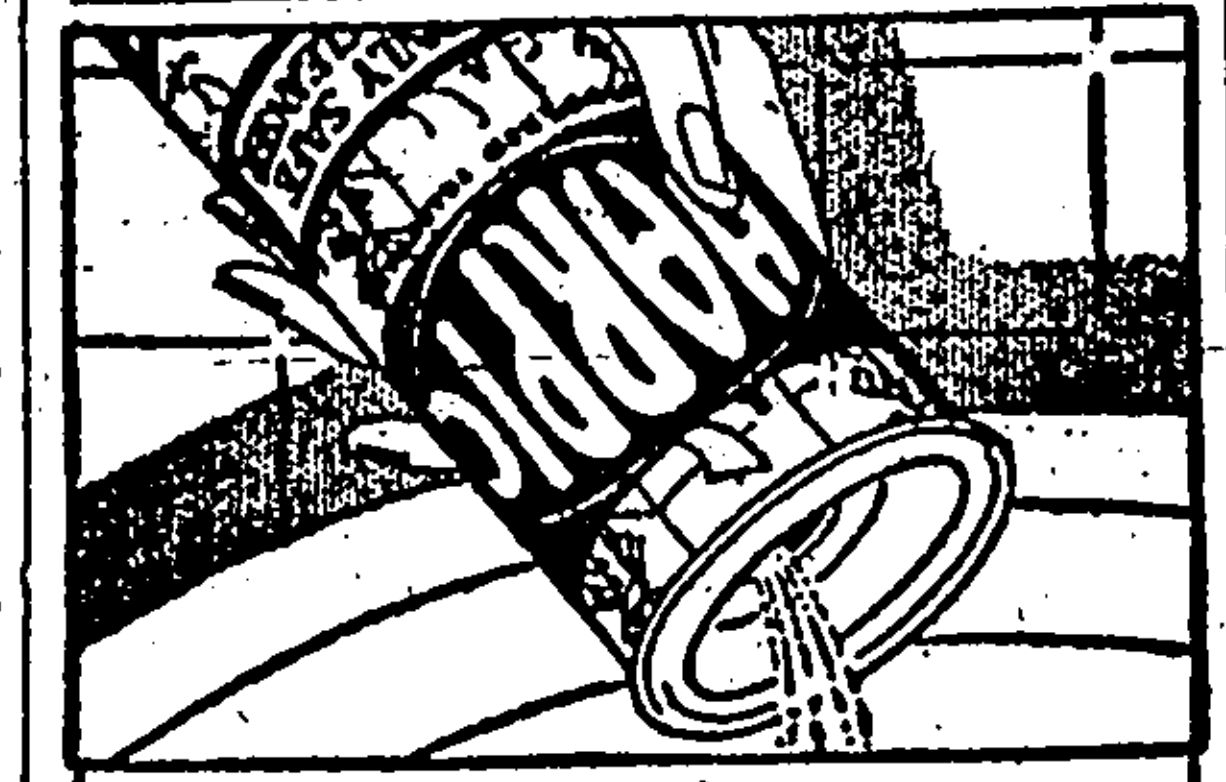
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OPENING WEEK'S LAWN TENNIS LEAGUE PROGRAMME

The following is the programme for next week, the Lawn Tennis League commencing next Monday with the Mixed Doubles League:—

Mixed Doubles League

Played on Mondays
MAY 16th
K.C.C. (A) v. C.R.C.
H.K.C.C. v. L.R.C.
U.S.R.C. v. K.C.C. (B)

"A" Division

Played on Tuesdays.
MAY 17th
H.K.C.C. v. C.R.C.
I.R.C. v. U.S.R.C.
K.C.C. v. S.C.A.A.

"B" Division

Played on Wednesdays.
MAY 18th
C.R.C. v. C.S.C.C.
C. de R. v. C.C.C.
K.I.T.C. v. H.K.C.C.
K.C.C. v. H.K.U.T.C.
I.R.C. v. S.C.A.A.

"C" Division

Played on Thursdays
MAY 19th
H.K.U.T.C. v. A.T.C.
C.C.C. v. C.R.C.
I.R.C. v. S.C.A.A.
K.C.C. v. K.T.G.C.A.

"D" Division

Played on Fridays
MAY 20th
C.S.C.C. v. A.T.C.
C.C.C. v. C.B.A.
C. de R. v. C.R.C.
I.R.C. v. S.C.A.A.
K.C.C. v. R.S.C.
K.I.T.C. v. P.R.C.

Clubs Prepare For Lawn Tennis League

(By "REFEREE")

PREPARATIONS for the opening of the Lawn Tennis League programme, which commences next Monday with the Mixed Doubles League, are in full swing. The Hong Kong Cricket Club have selected their pairings for both the Mixed Doubles and "A" Division, and will be fielding two fairly strong teams.

In the Mixed Doubles, H. Owen-Champ. onship title over 10 years ago. It is a pity though, that lay (nee Joan Massey) and H. J. Omar Rumjahn will not be paired with "H.D." in the League, as he has been selected to play with "Sirdar."

In the "A" Division, G. W. Sewell and Owen Hughes will be first pair, W. Sander and Alec. Pearce the second and F. V. Harrison and H. J. Armstrong the third pair. The Indian Recreation Club have been strengthened by the return to the Colony of Omar Rumjahn, who partnered H. D. Rumjahn when the latter won his first Colony Doubles

South China Athletic Association are not as strong this season as in previous ones, but have one good newcomer in P. Y. Cheung, who, although a veteran, took Frank Kwok to three sets in the Colony Singles Championship.

The following are some of the selected teams and probable players for Clubs in all division.

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3 MATCHES AFFECTED BY NEW SCORING SYSTEM

London, To-day.

Yorkshire, the County Cricket Champions, concluded their first County Championship match yesterday with a win over Essex by 4 wickets. Hedley Verity again being featured, taking 5 for 75 in the losers' second innings.

Maurice Leyland scored his second consecutive century, knocking up 114 in Yorkshire's first innings (he scored 141 against Oxford), while Leslie Hutton, the young England batsman, was undefeated with 93, in the winners' second lease at the wicket.

Three matches concluded yesterday were affected by the new scoring system for teams leading on the first innings, although ultimately losing. They were Hampshire, who led Warwickshire on the first innings, at Birmingham, but who were eventually beaten by 70 runs Mayer (5 for 75) and Payne (5 for 58) being responsible. The other match affected, was that between Worcestershire, who led Somersetshire on the first innings, at Taunton. Lee scored a bright century for Somersetshire, in their second knock, and Wellard placed the issue beyond doubt by taking 5 for 55 to contribute towards Worcester's dismissal for only 207 runs.

The other was the Yorkshire-Essex game.

Despite centuries by "Walter" Hammond, Neale and Wilson, Gloucestershire suffered their second reverse in the County Championship when they were beaten by Middlesex, at Lord's, by three wickets.

Gloucester scored 478 in their first knock, but Middlesex through Edrich (182) and Compton (163) tied the score on the first innings, and after the former had declared at 243 for 7 in their second venture, scored the required runs, 243 runs, for the loss of 7 wickets!

The Australians continued in winning vein at Cambridge, where they won by an innings and 425 runs, details of which appeared in yesterday's issues.

Results, as cabled by Reuter, were: At Ilford, Yorkshire beat Essex by 4 wickets. Essex: 327 (O'Connor 129) and 218 (Verity 5 for 75). Yorkshire: 289 (Leyland 114) and 257 for 6 (Hutton 93 not out).

At Liverpool, Derbyshire beat Lancashire by 216 runs. Derby: 316 (Nutter 5 for 72) and 161 for 3 dec. Lancs.: 171 (Copson 5 for 54; G. Pope 5 for 76) and 90 (G. Pope 5 for 18).

At Birmingham, Warwickshire beat Hampshire by 70 runs. Warwick: 213 and 245 (Boyes 5 for 55). Hants: 232 (Mayer 5 for 75) and 156 (Payne 5 for 58).

At Taunton, Somersetshire beat Worcestershire by 53 runs. Somerset: 114 (Perks 6 for 34) and 298 for 6 dec. (Lee 138). Worcester: 150 (Andrews 5 for 38) and 207 (Wellard 5 for 55).

At Lord's, Middlesex beat Gloucestershire by 3 wickets. Gloucester: 478 (W. R. Hammond 116, Neale 109, Wilson 180) and 243 for 7 dec. Middlesex: 478 (Edrich 182, Compton 153, Goddard 7 for 182) and 244 for 7 (Goddard 5 for 94).

At Oxford, the University beat Minor Counties by 230 runs. Oxford: 217 (Berry 6 for 81) and 811 for 4 dec. (Eager 147).

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"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY

ALTHOUGH the Hong Kong Football Association's official League season terminated last Sunday, with the Junior Interport match against Macao (which we lost by an uncomfortable margin), the moment seems opportune to make a few comments and suggestions before the commencement of next season.

As stated in this column, a few days ago, the Association are to be congratulated on a very clean season, particularly in the First and Second Divisions of the League, but actually I think the "kudos" should go to the Hong Kong Referees' Association, and in particular to those gentlemen who have striven to make the sport in the Colony worthy of the great traditions of the game.

There have been growls and grouches from all quarters of the Colony concerning the standard of refereeing, but I have it on very good authority that Hong Kong is a long way ahead of any other port in the Near and Far East!

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I SHOULD like to make a suggestion regarding playing dates for League soccer matches. It is this: That the association should endeavour to play on League fixtures on Saturdays exclusively, and to leave Sundays for representative matches, such as the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup Competition, Lai Wah Cup etc., which would arouse keener competition, say at the end of October, than it would as at present in February or in March. At the moment, it seems that the Association is catering too much to the individual demands of clubs, rather than making their own decisions.

I believe that I am right when I state that Sunday football is permitted several of the Clubs because they can draw a better gate on this day. The association, purely an amateur body, are forgetting that it is the football players to whom they must cater, and not the Clubs!

At a recent meeting of the Council, a newcomer to the Colony, from Home, said he could not understand the attitude of the H.K. F.A. in allowing Sunday soccer, as this was disallowed by the English Football Association, to which the local body was affiliated!

It was pointed out to him that while the H.K.F.A. permitted Sunday football, no player or Club, for that matter, was forced to play on that day, or on Good Friday or on Christmas Day.

The Hong Kong Football Club and the Kowloon Football Club have always refused to play on Sundays, thereby giving their players a day's relaxation before commencing work on Mondays. The Middlesex Regiment, although they have only been in the Colony for barely a year, were the first military team in the League to protest against Sunday soccer, and they took up the right attitude.

Minor Counties: 175 (McGill 5 for 57) and 181.

At Cambridge, the Australians beat the University by an innings and 425 runs.

Cambridge: 120 (M. G. Waite 5 for 23, W. J. O'Reilly 5 for 55) and 163 (P. A. Gibb 80, W. Ward 6 for 64). Australians: 708 for 5 dec. (J. H. Fingleton 111, D. G. Bradman 187, A. L. Hassett 220 not out, C. L. Badcock 186).

—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

Lord's—M.C.C. v. the Australians.
Chesterfield—Derbyshire v. Surrey.
Ilford—Essex v. Lancashire.
Gloucester (Wagon Works Ground)—Gloucestershire v. Yorkshire.
Southampton—Hampshire v. Leicestershire.
Nottingham—Nottinghamshire v. Sussex.
Birmingham—Warwickshire v. Glamorgan.
Cambridge—The University v. Northamptonshire.

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"A" Division

C.R.C.

To be selected from Tsui Wai-pui, Tsui Yun-pui, Paul Kong, Y. W. Lee, Lee Wai-tong, W. C. Hung, Ho Ka-lau, Luk Ding-cheung and Wong Shiu-wing.

RECREIO

A. V. Remedios and J. B. Gonsalves, A. N. Other and A. V. Gosano, H. A. Barros and C. A. Barretto.

U.S.R.C.

L. Goldman and Major Baines, G. E. R. Divett and Lt. D. C. Misra. Third pair to be found.

H.K.C.C.

G. W. Sewell and H. Owen Hughes, W. Sander and T. A. Pearce, W. V. Harrison and H. J. Armstrong.

I.R.C.

S. A. Rumjahn and Omar Rumjahn, A. R. Minu and M. A. Razack, A. H. Madar and H. D. Rumjahn.

S.C.A.A.

A. Chan and Wong Fuk-nam, Li Kwai-fan and P. P. Yip, P. Y. Cheung and Ho Wai-hing.

"B" Division

C.R.C.

To be selected from Frank H. Kwok, S. W. Liang, Wong Fuk-nam, Luk Chun-cheung, Tsoi Ping-fan and possibly Luk Din-cheung and Wong Shiu-wing, providing the latter are not needed for the "A" team.

KOWLOON I.T.C.

S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain, Firdos Khan and M. A. Khan, Lt. D. C. Misra and Gurbachan Singh.

RECREIO

L. A. L. Silva and Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, F. J. Remedios and J. J. Remedios, M. A. Oliveira and L. A. Carvalho.

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

J. W. Leonard and G. Choa, W. J. Howard and G. Lai, F. R. Zimmern and R. Choa.

"C" Division

K. TONG G.C.A.

K. H. Chan and W. Wu, O. L. Pang and F. Y. Mok, H. Ling and K. Lam.

C.R.C.

To be selected from Iu Tak-lam, Lau Fook-ki, Hon Lum-fung, La Shu-leung, Leung Ping-chiu and Tsang Cheung-nin.

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

W. Rapley and D. Hung, T. Lock and A. Kitchell, A. R. H. Esmail and G. Winch.

"D" Division

POLICE R.C.

A. R. S. Major and L. H. C. Calthrop, G. Carruthers and C. Pile, B. G. Baker and S. Smith.

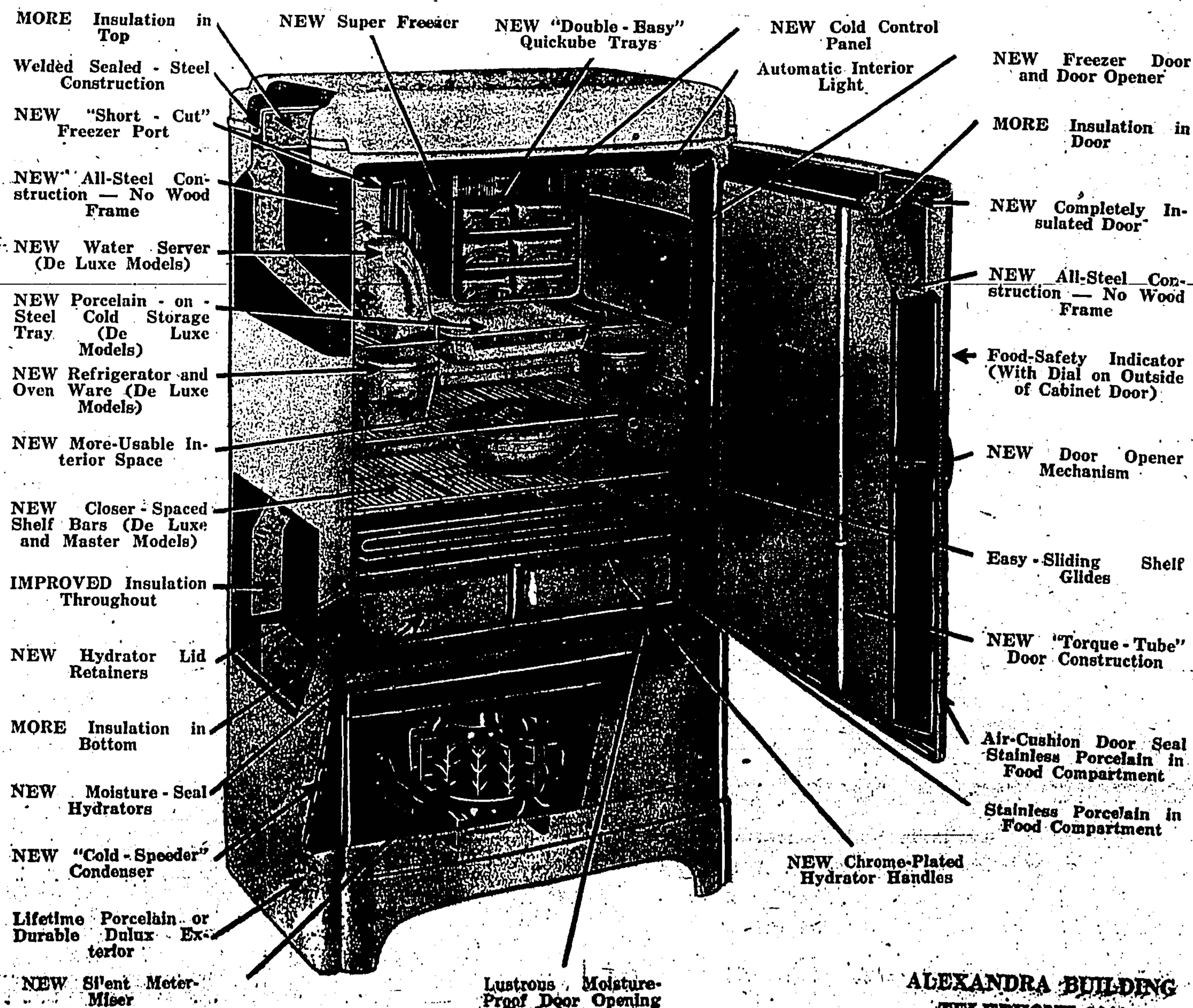
C.B.A.

G. H. Fowler and D. Smith, F. Angus and C. Sloan, N. Whitley and S. A. Fowler.

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

From the following Dr. C. W. Lam, A. Zimmern, H. P. Lim, T. Leonard, E. Zimmern, Wee Tong-lee, O. Sadick, V. Souza, and G. Ladd.

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ATHLETIC RECORDS BROKEN AT WEMBLEY

Finlay's Brilliant Hurdling

(By BEVIL RUDD)

London, April 18.

Two new records for women and two for men were set up in the Fourth Indoor Championships at Wembley. Moreover, the previous records were frequently equalled in the heats.

The entries were huge and necessitated a number of trials and eliminations in the afternoon, but in some of the men's events there was more quantity than quality and the absence of some of the best athletes was disappointing.

In the half-mile neither J. V. Powell, B. F. MacCabe, nor the Belgian champion, J. Mostert, put in an appearance. And R. Scott, the former Public Schools champion, was forced to drop out after running three laps. He was in pain and kept on clutching his head. An ear-drum made sensitive by flying had become acutely worse.

The spectacle of the evening was in the 70yds. hurdle race, when D. O. Finlay was at his superb best. For the first two flights he held only a slight advantage over F. V. Scopes, T. L. Lockton and G. H. G. Dyson, but over the last three hurdles he was irresistible. He won by nearly two yards in 8.9sec.

Scopes, who was second, had equalled the previous record of 9sec in his heat, but in the final he hit the first hurdle and although he cleared the remaining flights with his usual fluent style, he must have lost at least a yard in momentum.

There was a terrific finish to the 70yds. sprint, which E. L. Page, just won in 7.4sec with a frantic burst. B. Giles, a small but smooth and speedy runner, was in the lead five yards from the tape.

KENNEDY'S HIGH JUMP

R. K. I. Kennedy cleared 6ft 1in in the high jump—another record—and both A. Tansley and A. W. Selwyn did

PROPOSED NEW HOCKEY RULES TRIED OUT

Eliminating Foot Play

London, April 18.—At the Folkstone Festival there was much interest in the experiments with the proposed new rules.

The opinion among players was strongly in favour of those suggested changes applying to the prohibition of hooking at sticks and playing the ball with the foot. Regarding the stopping of the ball with the hand, there was not the same measure of unanimity. The elimination of foot play undoubtedly made for better and faster hockey, and onlookers were impressed with the skilful way in which defenders took the ball on the stick.

6ft. Two and a half inches separated the first three long jumpers, R. A. Powell winning, with 21ft 6¾in, 1½in in front of R. C. E. Kiralfy.

F. R. Webster won the pole vault by clearing 12ft 3in at his first attempt. He looked to be in "13ft form," but somehow nothing went right after this, and he failed three times at 12ft 6in. R. L. Howland won the weight emphatically with a put of 44ft 1½in—nearly 2ft farther than he did in 1935, but a foot behind P. Hincks' record last year.

EXCITEMENT

The excitement of the half-mile finish atoned for the disappointment over the non-starters J. Youngs, a strong easy mover, led until the last lap, when A. C. Pettit raced in front. Pettit just managed to last to the tape though Youngs and N. H. Phillips bore down on him in a despairing rush up the short finishing straight.

Two excellent races were the two miles, in which R. Thorogood improved on his time last year by more than four seconds, and the 10-laps relay, in which Ponders End gained a splendid victory over the Achilles Club.

There were no fewer than 16 teams entered for the Women's relay (four laps), but Atlanta were easily the best. The women certainly set the men an example in quick and confident baton changing.

RECORD EQUALLED

Miss B. Lock raced away with the 10 metres sprint from Miss D. Saunders and Miss J. Forder. Miss Lock's time of 8sec in her semi-final and final equalled the record set up by Miss E. Hisecock in 1936. Miss E. Raby fell in her heat, but this did not prevent her from long jumping a record distance.

BEN FOORD DISQUALIFIED IN EIGHTH ROUND

MAX SCHMELING'S EASY VICTORY

Hamburg, April 18.

BEN FOORD, the South African heavy-weight and former British Empire champion, was disqualified in the eighth round of his bout with Walter Neusel, of Germany, here to-night. It was a surprise result to a poor fight, in which Foord showed little of the form of his fight with Max Schmeling in January.

Foord was wild with his punches. He was warned in the fourth round for an alleged low blow, and when this was repeated in the eighth round he was disqualified. The crowd, who had given Foord a fine reception, was very disappointed, and booed at the finish. He lacked the coolness he showed against Schmeling, and clinched and held until the referee intervened. He was three times warned for holding.

tance of 17ft 6¾in a little later in the evening.

The third of the women's records went to Miss B. Reid, who put the weight 36ft. 4¾in. Miss K. Tilley, who has won this event for three years, was second, and she, too, improved on her old record of 34ft. 0¾in.

During the trials in the afternoon the weight of one of the women putters bounced on to the track and hit F. Close on the body as he was running in one of the two-mile heats. He could not continue the race, but was allowed to compete in the final. He ran well, and, although he showed no signs of his accident, he must have been shaken.

It is a pity the circumference of the track cannot conveniently be more than 142 yards, and so mitigate the sharpness of the bends. However, there would be much less clumsy running if the runners made fuller use of the adequate banking. Last year K. S. Duncan and this year E. L. Page showed conclusively that great speed can be maintained around these bends by making use of the banking facilities.

Foord did not make enough use of his left, and confined himself chiefly to right-hand swings, which too often missed. Neusel's hard body blows were punishing, and Foord was chased round the ring in the fourth round. He was in a bad way in this round, and also in the sixth and seventh.

It must be said, however, that Foord was obviously disturbed by the referee's warnings and seemed very excited. He refused to rest between the later rounds.

WILD BLOW

In the eighth round a wild blow which appeared to land rather low, hurt Neusel, who hung over the ropes in pain, and it was then that the referee stopped the fight and awarded it to Neusel. Foord was officially given only one of the rounds—the second.

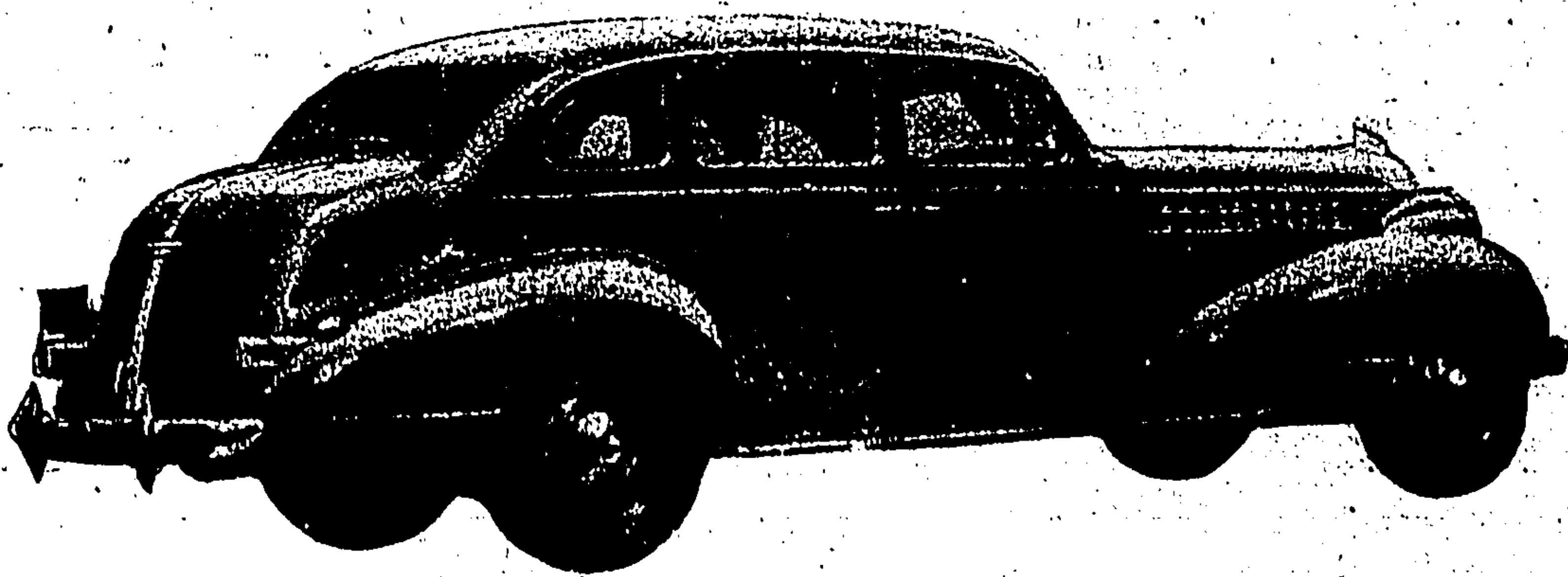
When interviewed afterwards, Foord was thoroughly dejected. "I did not intend to do that," he said. "The referee got on my nerves. I am so sorry with what happened that I am fed up with myself. I made such a good impression against Schmeling and now I am frightfully sorry."

TREW IN TOWEL

After Steve Dudas had taken severe punishment and been floored several times, his seconds threw in the towel in the fifth round of the fight against Max Schmeling.

Dudas started briskly enough and got in several blows to the body. These, however, left the German unruffled. Later, Dudas was mainly troubled by Schmeling's searching left. He took a count of five in the third round, and was dropped twice more in the fourth.

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CAN K.D.R.C. AGAIN DEFEAT RECREIO

K.C.C.-K.B.G.C. Tussle Will Be Good One

(By "SKIP")

The most interesting bowls League match to-day is that between the Kowloon Dock team and Club de Recreio. It will be noticed that the former won very easily in the corresponding game last season, and but for their two defeats I would forecast a similar result. I think the Portuguese may just win, but will have to fight every inch of the way. I do not expect to see more than six or seven shots in their favour at the finish.

With their best talent again available, I see they have made several changes in their rinks. Luz will be skipping again, whilst A. A. Remedios, who was unable to turn out last week, will be back as No. 3 to Dick Alves.

Craigengower will be at home to the Police and, although the latter have been known to cause upsets against this particular club, I think that a win for the hosts is likely.

With their present powerful team, it is only natural that the Valley side have left it undisturbed: the Police will also be fielding the same representatives as on last Saturday. After their great victory over the Portuguese team, Kowloon Cricket Club will no doubt be on the crest of the wave: they will have to be at their best, however, to overcome their neighbours, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, and candidly I do not think they can do it—their guests are too steady from lead to skip.

AT FULL STRENGTH

The visitors will be back to full strength, Armstrong having recovered from his indisposition and his return, allowing Hall to return to lead, should strengthen the team.

It will be interesting to see how the Indians fare in their first match away from Sookunpoo. It will be remembered that they have played (and won) both their matches on their own green, which is on the tricky side, and they will find a difference on the Civil Servants' sward, at the Valley. I favour the latter to win, but they will not have to take things at all easily.



SAIGON SOCCER STARS MEET S. CHINA TO-DAY

Colony XI To-morrow Not Our Best

The Federation Cochinchinoise de Football Association football team, will play their first game in the Colony to-day at Causeway Bay, at 5 p.m., when they meet the South China Athletic Association, under whose auspices they are visiting the Colony.

To-morrow they are meeting an Association team, but in view of the fact that most of the Colony's players have already had enough of soccer this season, the team is far from the best.

No information as to the strength of the visiting team is available though it is understood that their centre-half and left-winger are quite good.

The following teams have been selected to play against the visitors.

South China:—Tam Kwan-kon; Mak Sui-hon; Lee Ting-sang; Leung Wing-chiu, Capt.; Lau Hing-choi; Lau Tin-sang; Yeung Shui-yick; Fung King-cheung; Chan Tak-fai; Lai Shiu-wing and Lee Shek-yau.

H.K.F.A.:—Hartley; Tam Kong-pak; Costa; Hussain; Lim Tak-po; Hsu King-shing; W. Knox; Lai Shiu-wing; Leonard; Howlett and Hau Ching-to.

The first Saigon team will be Tinh; Cui, Duoi; Ven, Bun, Bach; Guichard; Tien, Tot, Van, Dai.

With Arthur Grimmitt on his way to England by the time the game commences, some changes have had to be made in the rinks. Simmonds is playing his first game this season, whilst both Burling and Purvis have earned promotion—the former from the second team, the latter as third man to Jack Hollidge.

H.K.F.C. "A" SHOULD WIN

After their huge victory last week, one cannot help anticipating a win for the Hong Kong Football Club's premier team in the Second Division, where they entertain the Civil Service.

The match between Craigengower and Club de Recreio, at the Valley, should provide an interesting tussle with the odds slightly in favour of the home side.

Both teams have made several changes owing to various contingencies, and those of the Portuguese outfit appear to have strengthened the rinks.

The Police juniors, although they lost away from home last week, should be strong enough on their own green to secure the better of the H.K.F. Club "B" outfit, but there should be little in it at the finish.

Wally Glendinning is turning out again after a week or two on the sick list, and he should prove a more than adequate substitute for Kelly, as No. 3 to Nolan.

What promises to be the best game in the Third Division is at King's Park where Club de Recreio are at home to the Kowloon Football Club. The latter will be all out to preserve their unbeaten record, and I think they will do so. In the other three matches, the home teams appear to be in for a win.

FAMOUS CLUB WITHOUT GROUND

The London Caledonians, founded in 1886, original members of the Isthmian League and winners of the F.A. Amateur Cup in 1923, have received notice to leave the Tufnell Park ground, where they have played continuously since 1901, at the end of the season.

In order to accommodate the U.S. S. Mindanao whose future movements are very uncertain they will play the Chinese Baseball Club in the second game to-morrow.

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K. C. C.	(55)	K. B. G. C.	(70)
K. D. R. C.	(43)	C. de R.	(75)
C. S. C. C.	(—)	*I. R. C.	(—)
SECOND DIVISION			
†H. K. F. C. "A"	(—)	*C. S. C. C.	(—)
C. C. C.	(71)	C. de R.	(61)
K. B. G. C.	(67)	T. R. C.	(54)
P. R. C.	(53)	H. K. F. C. "B"	(71)
THIRD DIVISION			
C. de R.	(64)	K. F. C.	(41)
K. T. R. C.	(—)	†K. C. C.	(—)
H. K. F. C.	(71)	C. C. C.	(52)
H. K. E. R. C.	(73)	R. H. K. Y. C.	(57)

* Denotes a promoted team.

† Denotes a relegated team.

(Figures in brackets denote the scores in the corresponding games last year).

BIG BASEBALL CARD THIS WEEK-END

INDIANS AND RECREIO CLASH IN MAIN ITEM

(By "UBIQUE")

Five teams in the Local Baseball League will be engaged this week-end, and the outstanding game should be that between the Indians Baseball Club and Club de Recreio, to-morrow.

The Volunteers play their first game to-day against the U.S.S. Mindanao, and although the sailors were beaten twice last week-end, they should win to-day. The Defence Corps, are badly in need of practice and have only recently got their team together, performances at practice having been most discouraging.

TAKING NO CHANCES

The Defence Corps have lost several of last year's stalwarts, among whom are Pereira, their pitcher, Beltrao at second base, Mendonca, first base, and Hus-sain who was at third base, and who is now playing at short-stop for the Indians. These losses have greatly weakened the team, and their only find-to-date is G. Souza, who will fill Beltraos position.

ON-INJURED LIST

Added to this, the Volunteers will be without the services of V. Costa and S. Leonard, who are both on the injured list. The former will be sorely missed at first base, where his reach was a great asset, while the latter, a safe-fielder, will also be missed in the batting, a department the Volunteers are placing great reliance on.

D. Leonard, H. Wing Lee, and J. Bowen will be the mainstay of the team, and their experience of the game should stand them well in to-day's game.

The U.S.S. Mindanao, following their defeats last week are taking no chances against the Volunteers if they hope to remain in the running for the Championship. Horton will start the pitching with Moore, as catcher, and Douglas, at first-base.

The rest of the team is unchanged, and as the Volunteers are not very good in their fieldings, a huge score is anticipated.

To-morrow, the Indians who are favoured in their own circles to win the title, clash with Recreio and though the latter have shown great improvement, the Indians should win.

The following is the programme for the week-end:—

TO-DAY

Volunteers v U.S.S. Mindanao (at 2.15 p.m. sharp).

TO-MORROW

U.S.S. Mindanao v Chinese Baseball Club (at 10 a.m.).

Recreio v Indians

Volunteers:—J. Bowen (p), H. Wing-lee (c), V. Costa or N. Leonard (1st b), G. Souza (2nd b), D. Leonard (s.s.), T. Ali or Loong (3rd b), S. Leonard, H. Sa, Fung, Spencer, Delgado, Gaston (fielders).

Recreio:—Pereira (p), Mendonca (c), Barros (1st b), Beltrao (2nd b), A. V. Gosano (s.s.) and E. L. Gosano (3rd b), L. Rocha (l.f.), C. Figueiredo (c.f.) and A. Alvares (r.f.).

Chinese B.C.:—E. Wong (p), Lo (c), T. Chan (1st b), N. Lun (2nd b), A. W. Ching (s.s.), N. Lum (3rd b), Choy (r.f.), B. Woo (c.f.) and C. H. Cheung (l.f.).

Indians:—M. el Arculli (p), O. el Arculli (c), T. Hamet (1st b), Abbas (2nd b), A. Hussain (s.s.), Nazarin (3rd b), K. M. Omar, Abbas, Ismail and Hassah (fielders).

U.S.S. Mindanao:—Horton (p), Moore (c), Douglas (1st b), Cavanaugh (2nd b), Campbell (3rd b), Dew (s.s.), Stefan (l.f.), Bouch (r.f.) and Smith (c.f.).

Comment On M.C.C. v. Australians By Percy Fender

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Songs by Jan Kiepara (Tenor).
12.40 p.m.—London Palladium Orchestra.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Patricia Rossborough (Piano) & Reginald Foort (Organ) Serenade (Moussorgsky).
Song Of Paradise (King).
Reginald Foort.
52nd. Street—Selection.
China Doll Parade (Zamecnik).
Patricia Rossborough.
Hit Parade—Reginald Foort.
Crazy Days—Selection.
Crest Of The Wave—Selection.
Patricia Rossborough.
"The King Steps Out" Medley (Kreisler)..... Reginald Foort.
1.40 p.m.—Murgatroyd & Winterbottom, Frances Day (Soprano) And Roy Fox & His Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Dance Music & Variety.
Tangos—Cabecita; La Ultima Cancion..... Heinz Huppertz and His Orch.
Fox-Trots—Am I Blue? My Kinda Love..... Dorsey Bros. & Their Orchestra. vocal refrain by Bing Crosby.
Swing Music—Ain't Misbehavin'; Way Down Yonder In New Orleans..... Max Abrams & His Rhythm Makers.
Fox-Trots—There's A Gold Mine In The Sky; True Confession (From the Film)..... Roy Fox & His Or-

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chestra with vocal refrain by Denny Dennis.
Waltz—Don't Forget The Old Folks At Home.
Fox-Trot—So Many Memories.
Billy Thorburn & His Music, with vocal refrain.
6.30 p.m.—Sea Shanties & Choruses.
Tom Costello In Song Memories (McGlennan & Gilbert)..... Tom Costello & Chorus with Orchestra.
(a) Fire Down Below; (b) Hullabaloo Balay (Harris).
(a) Haul Away, Joe; (b) What Shall We Do With The Drunken Sailor (Arr. R. R. Terry)..... John Goss (Baritone) and the Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.
6.45 p.m.—London Relay—"Take Your Choice". A Weekly Entertainment Feature.
7.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.32 p.m.—Variety Programme.
Piano Solo—Parade Of The Sandwich-Board Men (Billy Mayerl); Phil The Fluter's Ball (W. P. French—arr. B. Mayerl)..... Billy Mayerl, Vocalist: Billy Scott-Coomber.
Vocal—Rosalie (From the Film); London Is Saying Goodnight..... Gracie Fields accomp. by Fred Hartley and His Orch.
Orchestra—Chinese Legend (Schulenburg); Majaraka (Schulenburg)..... Eugen Wolff & His Orch.
Humorous—My Wild Oat (From 'Aunt Sally')..... Cicely Court-

neidge (Comedienne).
Orchestra—Little Heaven Of The Seven Seas; On Linger Longer Island..... Mario ("Harp") Lorenzi & His Rhythmics.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8 p.m.—12 midnight.—Relay on 640 Kilocycles—Mei Lan Fang from the Lee Theatre. A Relay Of A Chinese Play.
8.03 p.m.—Albert Sandler & His Orchestra.
Rosa Mia (Guizar, Fisher & Potter).
The Fairies Gavotte (R. Kohn).
Soliloquy (Alan Murray).
Gipsy Melody (Nelson & Knight).
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Cricket"—"M.C.C. v. The Australians". A commentary during the first day's play by P. G. H. Fender from Lord's Cricket Ground, London.
8.30 p.m.—Musical Interlude—Vivian Ellis at the Piano. Let Me Play—By Vivian Ellis (In which the Composer introduces some of his best known tunes).
8.35 p.m.—London Relay—"London Log".
8.45 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.
Rosenkavalier Waltzes (R. Strauss).
Bruno Walter conducting the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra.
Spring In Japan—Waltz (Tadasuke Ohno).
Blossom Dreams—Waltz (Kojo Ho Tsuki)..... Orchestra Mascotte.
9 p.m.—Studio—A Talk on Local "Lawn Bowls" by C. B. Hosking.
9.10 p.m.—Songs.
The Almond Tree (Schumann).
The Mocking Fairy (Besly).
Elsie Suddaby (Soprano).
Love's Old Sweet Song.
O Lovely Night..... Archibald Winter.
O Peaceful England ("Merrie England"—German).
Serenata (Braga).
Essie Ackland (Contralto).
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.
12 midnight.—Close down.

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5.45 a.m.—'At the Black Dog.' Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour.
6.15 a.m.—'Sweet and Lovely.' A musical presentation.
6.40 a.m.—'London Log.'
6.50 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 7.00 a.m.
7.15 a.m.—Close Down.

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10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. 'Take your Choice.' A weekly entertainment feature.
11.30 a.m.—Recital by David Martin (Canadian Violinist).
11.50 a.m.—Sailor Songs. The B.B.C. Men's Chorus.
12.15 p.m.—Cricket: M.C.C. v. The Australians. A commentary during the first day's play, by P. G. H. Fender. From Lord's Cricket Ground, London.
12.30 p.m.—Musical Interlude.
12.35 p.m.—'London Log.'
12.45 p.m.—'Rhythm Express.' Benny Frankel and his Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.57 p.m.—Close down.

TRANSMISSION 3

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Frequencies—
1.57 p.m.—Opening Announcements.
2 p.m.—Big Ben. 'At the Black Dog.' Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour.
2.30 p.m.—Orchestral Music.
2.40 p.m.—'Eight Bells': World Cruise. Port of call: Sydney, Australia.
3.40 p.m.—Pianoforte Recital by Dorothy Hesse.
4 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.25 p.m.—Dance Music. Billy Cotton and his Band.
4.45 p.m.—Cricket: M.C.C. v. The Australians. A commentary during the first day's play, by P. G. H. Fender. From Lord's Cricket Ground, London.
5 p.m.—Close down

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

How Good Are You?

Mr. Culbertson is conducting, through this column, an examination of bridge players. Rate yourself by subtracting from 100 the points for each wrong answer.

Yesterday's question was:

Question 39: You are West, declarer at a four spade contract. Opponents made no bid. Your hand and dummy are as follows:

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H.—5	H.—K 9 8 6 4 2
D.—A 10 7 4	D.—6
C.—10 8 3	C.—A 7 4

North opens the diamond king. What are your first two plays, as declarer?

Answer: You should win with the diamond ace and lead your singleton heart. It would be futile to return a diamond immediately, with the thought of cross-ruffing. You would land in dummy at the second trick, with no comfortable exit. You then would have to lead a heart from the king. The opponents would win, and surely shift to trumps, thus destroying dummy's ruffing power. Your outstanding hope is that the heart ace is in front of the king and that you can establish the king for a discard, in case the opponents shift to trumps, as they should. [For failure to lead the singleton heart at the second trick, take a two point demerit.]

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question 40: You are South, and vulnerable; opponents are not vulnerable.

West, your left hand opponent, deals and the bidding proceeds:

West	North	East	South
1 heart	Pass	Pass	?

You hold:

S. A K J 9 8 5	H. 2
D. A 10 8 3	C. 6 4

What call do you make?

TO-DAY'S HAND

North, dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
S.—A J 10
H.—Q 9 7
D.—Q 9
C.—A Q J 6 4

WEST	EAST
S.—8 6 4 2	S.—Q 7 3
H.—A 5 3	H.—K J 8 6 4 2
D.—7 6	D.—8
C.—K 8 5 2	C.—10 7 3

SOUTH

S.—K 9 5
H.—10
D.—A K J 10 5 4 3 2
C.—9

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 club	Pass	3 diamonds	Pass
3 no trump	Pass	5 diamonds	Pass
6 diamonds	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened the heart ace. East signaled with the eight, and a heart was continued, declarer ruffing. Now, blinded by the length and strength of his own trump suit, declarer hastened to draw the outstanding three trumps. Only after dummy's two valuable trump entries had thus been squandered did declarer awake to the fact that he might lose a trick in spades. Now (too late, too late!) he bethought himself of establishing a second trick in dummy's club suit, in order to avoid guessing about the spade queen. The club ace was cashed and the queen led, in the naive hope that East, if he held the king, would cover. This birthday gift not materializing, declarer ruffed and, after aimlessly running off a few more trumps, finally reached the point where he made a blind stab at the spade finesse. When he misguessed it, playing West instead of East for the queen, he called on heaven to witness his horrible luck.

Obviously, the proper play, after ruffing the second heart lead, was to cash the club ace and ruff a low club with an honor, then to enter the dummy with the nine of trumps and ruff another club. The diamond queen then would be an entry for the ruffing of a third club, and it would be hard luck indeed to find the clubs so badly split that the king could not be ruffed out.

The contract also could have been made by a double squeeze, but, of course there was no need for any complicated play on such a simple problem.

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CONFUSING REPORTS ON HSUCHOW BATTLE

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ing they were reported to be isolated.

They have lost a considerable number of troops since their departure from Tsining, from guerilla attacks.—Our Own Correspondent.

SHANGHAI CLAIM

Shanghai, To-day.
The local Japanese newspaper announced, in glaring headlines this morning, that the Japanese forces in Anhwei and Southern Shantung are steadily closing in on Hsuehchowfu and that the city has been practically encircled by the recent movements of the Japanese troops.

The journal predicts that Hsuehchowfu will be occupied within two weeks.—Our Own Correspondent.

CHINESE AIRCRAFT ACTIVE

Shanghai, To-day.
Chinese troops operating in southern Shantung and north-western Anhwei were vastly encouraged yesterday when squadrons of Chinese bombers and fighters raided the Japanese positions along the Lung-Hai Line.

It is claimed that the raids carried out were very satisfactory.

Japanese aircraft were also very active and Siaohsien, west of Hsuehchowfu, was visited. Hundreds of civilians were killed and wounded.—Our Own Correspondent.

LATEST REPORTS

Hankow, To-day.
Latest information from the front indicates that a Japanese column is at Yungchen, only 60 kilometres from the Lung-Hai Railway, and according to Chinese information, the occupation of Mengchen appears premature.

The Chinese spokesman stated yesterday afternoon that Chinese troops attacking Mengchen threatened the Japanese rear at Yungchen. Severe fighting is progressing on the outskirts of the town.

Another Chinese column is engaged in attacking Tingyuan and Fengyang in an effort to cut the Japanese line south of Pengpu. The Chinese are reported to have occupied Liufu, north-east of Tingyuan.

WEST SHANTUNG

In west Shantung, the Chinese and Japanese are opposing each other at Luchiatung and Chiahotan, 10 kilometres north of Kinghsiang. More than 2,000 Japanese troops from Yuchen are said to be going south to the Lung-Hai Railway.

Chinese reports state that their troops have occupied Fanhsien, on the west bank of the Yellow River, in order to prevent the Japanese at Puyang and Puhsien from forming a junction with the Japanese on the east bank of the Yellow River at Yuchen.—Reuter.

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Hankow, To-day.

Although the main body of the Chinese forces at Amoy are understood to have evacuated, reports indicate that fighting is going on in the northern section of the island.

The Chinese forts at Wulshan are stated to have been destroyed by the Japanese bombing, while the University was set on fire by aerial bombs.—Reuter.

The Imperial Airways service has been further delayed and will not arrive now until to-morrow morning. The outward mail will be leaving as usual on Monday.

Hankow, To-day.

Commenting on the Japanese report that the Japanese forces are expected to capture Sinan-cheng, south of Hsuehchowfu, in 48 hours, the Chinese spokesman declares that the town has no strategic importance.

If the Japanese are determined to capture the town, it is possible for them to do so, but its occupation would have only little effect on the military situation in south Shantung.—Reuter.



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